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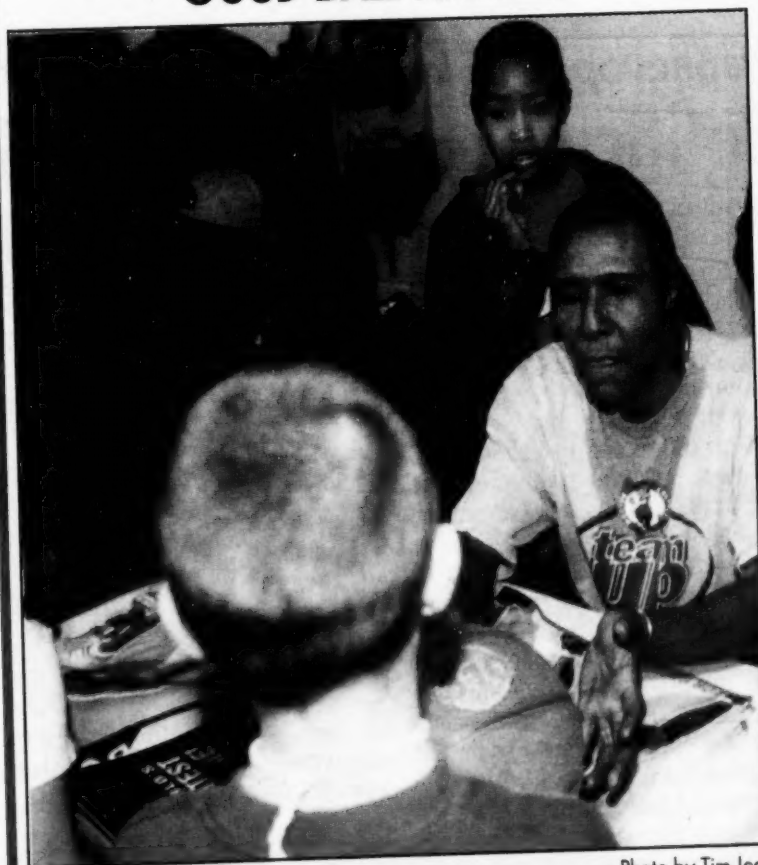


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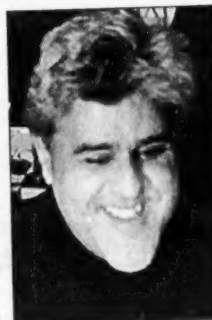
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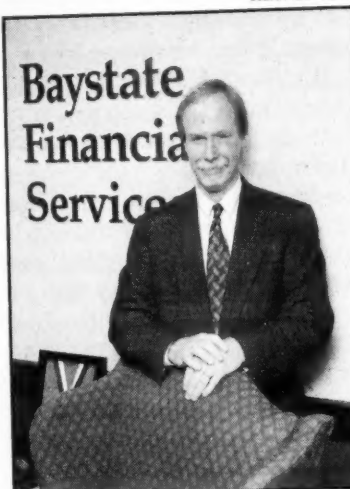
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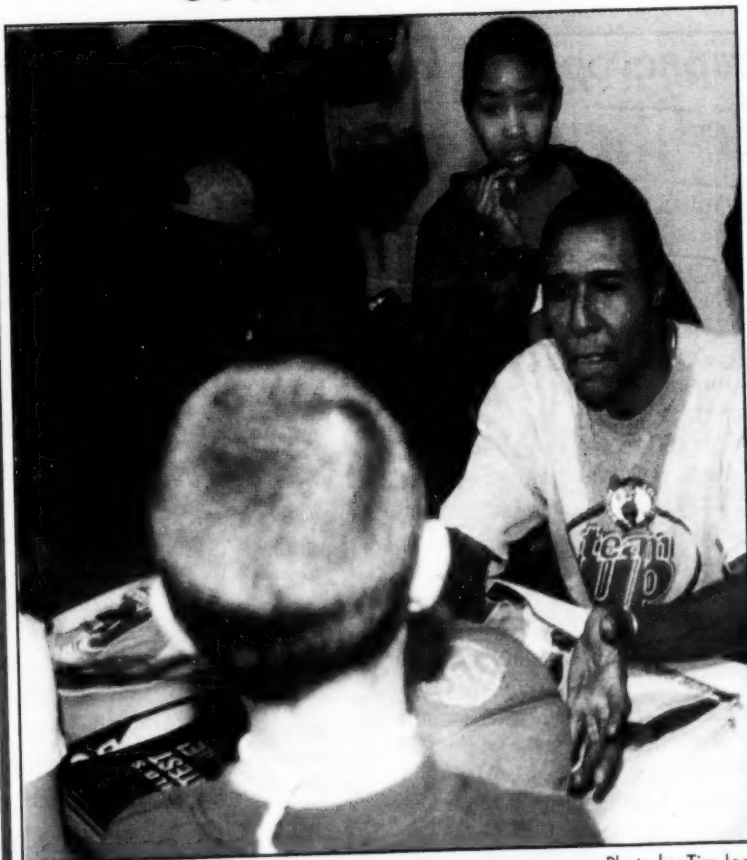


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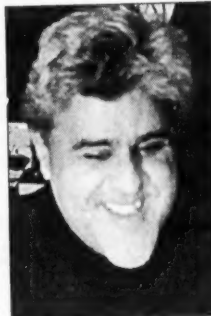
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# TownTalk



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Reaching out — After several tries, former Clinton staffer George Stephanopoulos was finally able to launch a speaker series at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College.

## Stephanopoulos 'envious' of Bush start Politics and Texas 2-step

By Adam Groff

The Eagle-Tribune/Friends of Merrimack College Speaker Series kicked off Monday night at the Rogers Center for the Arts with a talk by political analyst and former Clinton adviser George Stephanopoulos.

With the second rescheduling of the event since the protracted election struggle began last November, Stephanopoulos was finally able to tear himself away from his post at ABC News to deliver enlightening commentary on the election and the new administration to the several hundred area residents in attendance. His basic assessment was that things look good so far for the Bush team.

"When I look at this, I am very envious," he said of George W. Bush's first week and a half in office. He said that the Clinton team, or the first Bush team or the Reagan team, for that matter, did not have such relatively smooth sailing in their first weeks in office.

He said that Bush's "sophisticated variation on the Texas two-step" of making moves to shore up his conservative base always followed by moves appealing to moderates is "working so far." He gave the example of Bush's nominating conservative Christian John Ashcroft for Attorney General immediately followed by kicking off his education initiative.

Stephanopoulos also said that Bush "couldn't have asked for a

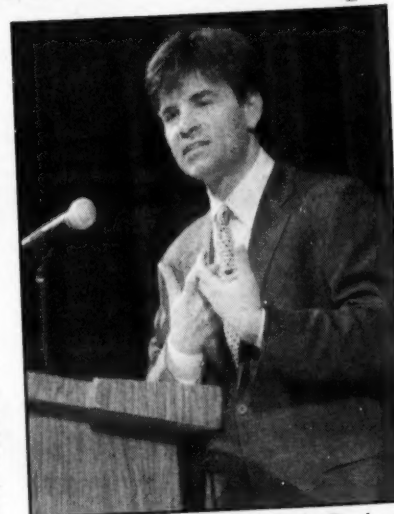


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George Stephanopoulos speaks to a packed center.

better gift" from Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, who recently stated that if the federal budget surplus continues to grow, it would be best dealt with by cutting taxes. This statement, said Stephanopoulos, "virtually assured that a major tax cut will pass by August."

All in all, he said, the outlook for Bush's first 180 days of legislation is very good.

Problems Bush faces, according to Stephanopoulos, include: his stature being undercut by the outcome of ongoing vote counts in Florida, which he said are virtually certain to show more votes for former Vice President Al Gore; John

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Former medic to get Silver Star at AFB show

Former Andover resident Anthony F. Cuticchia will receive a Silver Star medal tomorrow, Friday, in a ceremony at the Andover High School Collins Center.

Cuticchia, father to Andover fire lieutenant James Cuticchia, won the medal for the many lives he saved as an Army medic in the Korean War in 1951, says Veterans Service Agent John Doherty. The Silver Star is the third highest award for combat – much less frequently awarded to veterans than the Bronze Star, he says.

The ceremony will take place alongside a performance by the United States Air Force Band of Liberty, presented by the Town of Andover Patriotic Holiday and Korean War Commemorative Committees. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. and the show begins at 7 p.m. Interested parties can obtain free tickets by contacting Doherty at the Veterans Services Office in Town Offices.

### A guide to events in Essex Heritage area

The Essex National Heritage Area has launched a new Web site <[www.essexheritage.org](http://www.essexheritage.org)> that includes links to more than 65 historic sites located throughout the area.

### Web question

Last week's *Townsmen* Web-site question was: A resident submitted a warrant article that requests up to \$2 million of town money to fund the renovation of Will Hall, which will then be leased for 30 years for a senior center. Do you support the idea?

Seven people out of 33 said "Yes, because Andover needs a new senior center." Only two said "Yes, because I specifically support the Will Hall renovation/lease option," but 11, or a third, said "No, I support building a new senior center, but do not approve of the Will Hall deal." Almost another third, 12 people, said "No, I do not support any public money for any senior center." One person voted "Other."

This week's question is: Town Meeting will ask residents what to do with the gravel pit at Rec Park. How do you feel?

Surf over to our Web site at <[www.andovertownsmen.com](http://www.andovertownsmen.com)> to cast your vote.

### Officials: Senior center cost still at \$4 million

Rumors that the Will Hall price tag has jumped from \$4 million to \$5.6 million are just that, says Project Manager Phil Tuminelli – rumors.

Recently, Selectmen Chairman Brian Major said he heard that the senior-center price tag had risen to \$5.6 million. The cost was originally pegged at \$4 million in 1999, when the town first signed a lease with Will Hall dormitory owner Phillips Academy. Seniors agreed to raise \$4 million themselves to turn the building into the town's next senior center, and the town donated \$500,000 as seed money to jump-start the campaign. Since then, the private fundraising group called the Friends of Andover

Seniors has struggled to raise those funds, and the last reported total was less than \$1 million.

Tuminelli, who is unsure why the \$5.6 million figure popped up, says that no one has approved a budget increase. Months ago, he presented a wish-list budget to seniors depicting possible "total costs" for the renovation. The figure, which is purely hypothetical, could possibly have come from that budget, he says. "With any project there is the estimated cost of construction and the... total cost for everything – construction, architects, furniture, etc.," says Tuminelli.

But if extras such as new furnishings do not fit

into the final budget – which as far as Tuminelli knows is still around the \$4 million mark – the seniors will have to do without, he says.

"Whatever the seniors get for funding, that's what we'll have to make work," he adds.

Tuminelli says he does not know the exact dollar figure that the Friends have raised thus far, as well as the exact budget. Tuminelli, steering committee chairman Bob Zollner and members of the building committee directed the *Townsmen* to Friends President Doreen Correnti for those answers; however, Correnti has not returned the *Townsmen*'s repeated calls.

—Rebecca Piro

## Quote, unquote . . .

**'D**o I see construction on Main Street starting this summer? No. You have a \$2.5 million project. When you are working with the state on plans as complicated as this, those things aren't rushed. The dirt doesn't start flying the next day."

Steve Colyer, planning director, on the Main Street improvement project that was approved in 1998, but has not yet begun. (Story, page 15)

**'N**obody wants just 19 students to graduate from elementary school and go to a different middle school from their peers. But in each of these options, that's happening."

Annette Silva-Grams, Redistricting Task Force member, on the options being considered. (Story, page 7.)

**'I**t just defies good Yankee common sense to go cut down a forest somewhere when we've got this sand pit that was bought for this purpose."

Rich Nill, of Andover Soccer, who wants soccer fields at the Essex Sand and Gravel pit. (Story, page 14.)

## NEWS CALENDAR

### Thursday, Feb. 1

Department of Public Health Asthma Advisory group, town offices, second-floor conference room, 6-8 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals, Memorial Hall Library, second floor, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, Feb. 3

Zoning Board of Appeals deliberation meeting, Memorial Hall Library, second floor, 9 a.m.

### Monday, Feb. 5

Council on Aging, Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., 8 a.m.

Sanborn School Council, Sanborn, 4 p.m.

Board of Health, town offices, second-floor conference room, 6 p.m.

Selectmen, town offices, third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m. Televised.

### Tuesday, Feb. 6

School Committee, town offices, school committee room, 7:30 p.m. Televised.

Conservation Commission, town offices, third-floor conference room, 7:45 p.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 7

School Building Committee, selectmen conference room, 6 p.m.

Finance Committee, town offices, second-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

Ballardvale Historic Commission, town offices, second-floor room, 7 p.m.

Design Advisory Group, town offices, first-floor conference room, 8 p.m.

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McCain's ongoing push for campaign finance reform, which conservative Republicans reject; the "knock-down, drag-out" fight that will ensue over the three seats on the Supreme Court that are expected to open up soon; and unforeseeable

foreign policy crises undercutting Bush's domestic-policy agenda.

After his cold political assessment, Stephanopoulos offered some personal opinions on the evolving political climate.

"My fear is that (Bush) could be successful because his goals are scaled down," he said. He returned to a figure of speech with which he had opened his talk, saying that although politics has been called the "art of the possible," there is also an extent to which it ought to be the "art of the impossible," meaning there is a place for idealism in politics. He asked, in times of unprecedented prosperity, "how can so many be left behind?"

"There are some things that government can and must do," he said. He urged Americans to "fend

off the curse of cynicism," and match the rise in personal contributions to charity with charitable action on a national level.

"There is a disconnect between what we do as individuals and what we do as a nation," he said.

Stephanopoulos's 20-minute talk was followed by a question-and-answer session in which he addressed a variety of topics, from why Al Gore lost the election to campaign finance reform. When someone asked why he thought Hillary Clinton ran for senator, he spread his arms in a wide shrug and said, "My guess is she wants to be president." This remark was greeted by some scattered claps and boos, underscoring his following suggestion that this will not happen in 2004, because "she is such a polarizing figure."

## Greatness: 50 years as a book club leader at MHL

North Andover resident Robert Rockwell spends a lot of his time reading.

In fact, Great Books club member Ken Barnhill hosted a party at his Wolcott Avenue home last Tuesday to celebrate Rockwell's 50 years spent as the club leader, leading discussion groups and offering his own insight.

"He makes good contributions and ties it back to other readings of years ago," says Barnhill, a member for more than 10 years.

The Great Books club, part of a nationwide organization headquartered in Chicago, meets twice a month in Memorial Hall Library.

"The leader asks questions to which there may not be any answer. If it's an obvious answer to a question, then it's not interesting," says Barnhill. "Half a dozen people can read a paragraph in a great book and come up with as many interpretations."

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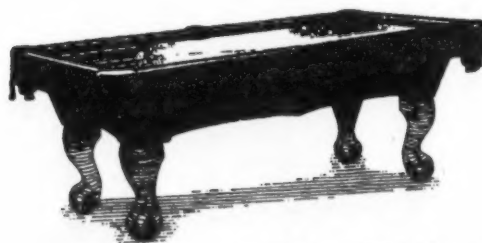


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# When is enough scheduling enough? Depends on the kid

By Adam Groff

Tina Spector says having NBC news cameras follow her and her family for a whole day last week was a bit stressful.

"It was hard asking my husband how his day was," she says. "We're still recovering."

The Spectors and their 8-year-old daughter Cassandra were featured on last Wednesday's *NBC Nightly News* program in a segment about whether children today are overscheduled; Cassandra was one of the poster-children for the multitasking grade-schooler.

"They went over to West El and filmed Cassandra leaving school and going to (after-school activities program) Kid's Club," says Spector. "Then they filmed us in the house, then they filmed us in the car, they filmed us coming home, eating dinner, playing piano. It was incredible. They turned our house into a film studio."

All this for a two-and-a-half minute news segment.

"When we saw it Wednesday night, we were floored at how great it came out," she said.

Spector said NBC got in touch with her through a friend who had been interviewed by the *Boston Globe* a couple of years ago for a similar story about busy families. The television station got the friend's name from the *Globe* article, but then contacted the friend and

found that her family had relaxed their busy lifestyle.

"She said 'We've really scaled back, but our best friends, the Spectors, are going whole hog,'" says Spector, who received a phone call from a producer last Monday about appearing on the program.

## Debate: enrichment or overscheduling?

Cassandra is involved in after-school activities seven days a week, including Hebrew school, piano lessons, gymnastics, ice skating, and ballet. Her mother works at home as an interior designer and drives her to and from

each of these activities, while her father, Howard, runs a factory in Lawrence. Her 13-year-old brother, Sam, started boarding school this year.

"When our son went to board-

ing school, I told her she didn't have to go anymore" to so many activities, says Tina Spector. "But she was like, 'Get a life, Mom, I love it.' We do it because our kid

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Photo by Tim Jean

Playing it again — Tickling the ivories on a regular basis is just one of several activities for Cassandra Spector, whose mom, Tina, looks on.

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## Kids and their activities

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likes it. What I was trying to say (on NBC) is that if she ever laid down in front of the TV, and I said, 'Come on, it's time to go to gymnastics,' and she said, 'I don't want to,' I wouldn't push it at all. But neither of my kids ever said, 'I don't want to go.' They go, and they're happy when they get there."

"Is it a bad thing? It depends on the child," says Judy Piolunek, a guidance counselor at West Middle School. She says she herself has some reservations about the trend toward involving children in as many activities as possible.

"I think kids are overbooked, and not just in Andover," she said. "They don't have time to just be children, especially in elementary school. As you get older, you're able to take on more commitments. I encourage kids to make choices. School is your No. 1 priority, and then maybe sports. But some kids have basketball from 3 to 5 and then they go home to do

homework, but they have to be at hockey at 7. For some kids it's not too much, and for other kids, they need to set priorities."

Child psychologist and former Andover selectman Larry Larsen agrees.

"The issue is whether parents are pressuring kids to perform and do lots of things, and it's an extension of the parents' own competitiveness," said Larsen. "When children feel booked and programmed, and have imposed upon them the competitive urges of their parents, then you're going to have some kids that are emotionally disturbed."

"I've seen that happen," says Spector. "It's not my place to point my finger and criticize what other parents do, but sometimes their priorities do seem screwed up. You have to know your own child. You have to be a parent. I just want to give my daughter every opportunity. She's going to be a very self-sufficient person who knows what she wants to do. I'm

## Andover's Putnam to give \$50,000

Putnam Investment's Andover branch, at 7 Shattuck Road, was expected to give grants totaling \$50,000 on Wednesday night to Adelante, a program established in 1992 to provide a haven and recreation for Lawrence youth, and the Lawrence branch of the Merrimack Valley YMCA.



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## 'Pockets' of students to be moved Redistricting Task Force forms new options

By Adam Groff

Three more redistricting options, dealing with middle schools, were hammered out Tuesday night by the Redistricting Task Force during its seventh biweekly meeting in the School Committee room in town offices above the Andover Senior Center.

About 50 residents sat or stood in the back of the room, craning their necks and furrowing their brows as numbers, street names, and makeshift option titles passed back and forth among the 10-member committee, moderated by School Committee representative Gerry Gustus. Committee member Annette Silva-Grams detailed the suggestions on a large map of Andover carved into individually colored neighborhoods.

Each middle-school option involves the three middle schools - Doherty, West, and the new school, which is being called "Cross" - surrounded by a "central core," the largest geographic area around a school, and a number of "pockets," individual outlying streets or neighborhoods that may be assigned to a differ-

*'Nobody wants just 19 students to graduate from elementary school and go to a different middle school from their peers. But in each of these options, that's happening.'*

**Annette Silva-Grams  
Redistricting Task  
Force members**

ent school.

"There's not going to be a lot of difference between the options, because you can only go so far out," said Silva-Grams.

One area of concern for parents is keeping their children in the same peer group as they move from elementary school to middle school. Children in some of the "pockets" will peel off from

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## Constant oversight needs to continue

When the town decided to build its new safety center essentially on top of the old one downtown, it knew there were significant risks involved. The Andover High School project gave every official a clear lesson in how difficult it can be to complete a publicly bid project that involves an occupied building. Like the High School job, the safety center construction must revolve around the daily operations of the facility to a degree.

To avoid a repeat of the High School problems, the town hired a project manager to oversee the safety-center job, in addition to the new schools and poten-

tial senior-center project. Yet the safety-center project has already fallen behind schedule. That's why public officials were right to send a written message to Mello Construction, the safety-center contractor. They must continue to hold the contractor accountable for any delays. Selectmen must also keep their eyes on this project.

With the Andover High job, both elected and paid town employees relied too much on the volunteer School Building Committee and a consultant to keep the project on track. It didn't work. A continued hands-on approach this time around can only help.

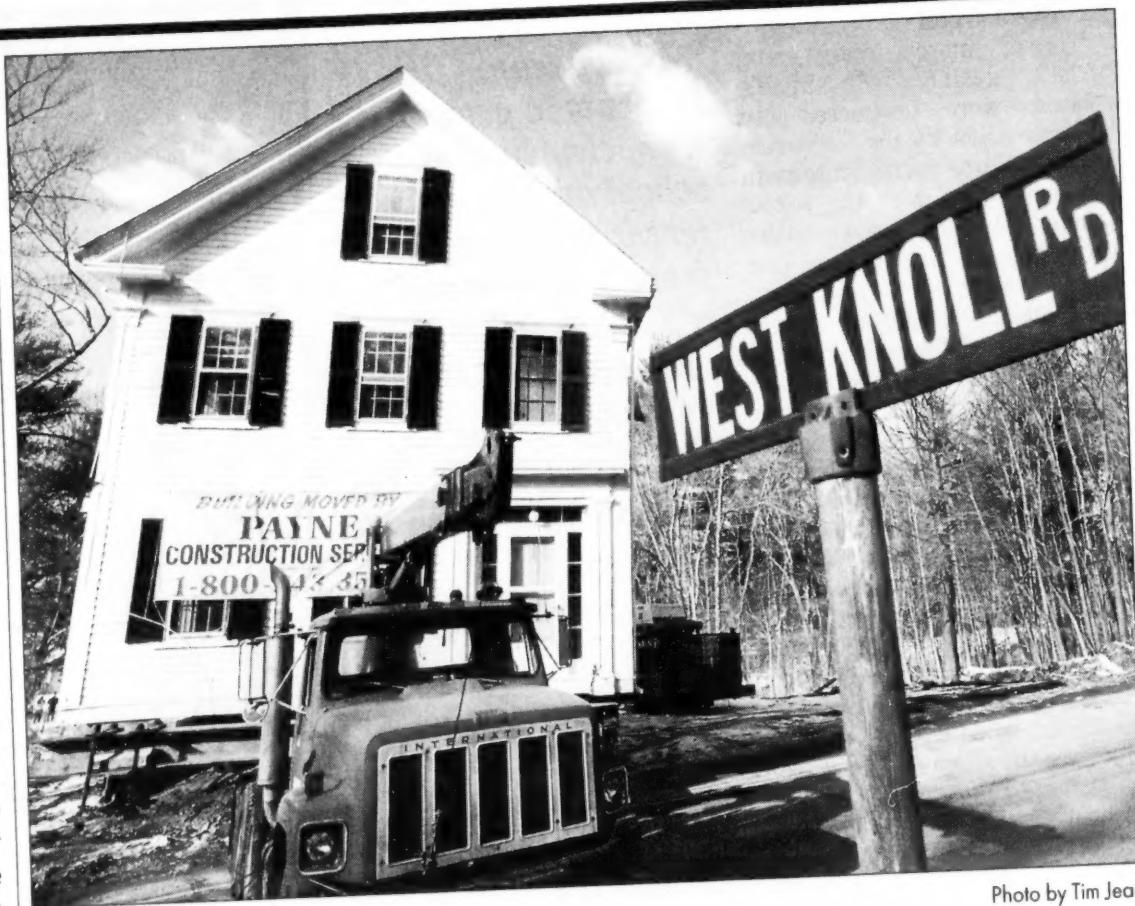


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Farming it out - The Pearson farmhouse approaches its new home at 305 South Main St., where David Barrett Homes will renovate and resell it. Had Barrett not purchased the home from Phillips Academy for \$1, it would have been razed.

## MCAS: I was a 29-year-old student and lived to tell about it



Neil Fater

It had been nearly 12 years since my last test at Andover High School. But on Saturday I was back in the AHS cafe, set to take one more test - the MCAS Challenge.

State Sen. Sue Tucker provided adults with an opportunity to get a glimpse of the MCAS test - which this year, for the first time, 10th-grade students must pass in order to graduate. The 75 or so adults who took the test Saturday were given 12 multiple-choice and one open-ended question from each of the four sections: English, math, history and social science, and science and technology.

Short of eating Cheetos for lunch, I did my best to recreate my high-school experience. I slept as late as I could, grabbed a quick shower and then sped off to school, two No. 2 pencils in hand. I felt like a TV actor. They are, after all, the only 29-year-old high-school students I've ever seen.

I must confess to being a bit nervous. I'd pledged to resign if I didn't ace the English portion. But it was the math section that

really worried me. I was sure I'd need to remember certain formulas, like how to determine the length of a triangle's hypotenuse, or the arc of a circle.

Then I took the test - and I found there was little to worry about, at least for those who pay attention in class and attend schools such as Andover's. The math portion was full of middle-school-level algebra and common-sense questions. Most of the English section simply expected test takers to show that they understood what they had just finished reading.

A case could be made that the science and history areas ask for specific knowledge that shouldn't be necessary for graduation. Knowing about turgor pressure and why the Line of Demarcation was drawn through South America in 1494 should not be tied to graduation.

But it certainly seems reasonable to expect every graduate to know the significance of the Marshall Plan, or that human bones aren't as old as dinosaur bones. Plus, since neither the science and technology, nor history and social-science portions of the test currently count as graduation requirements, that leaves time for test creators to better define what type of material graduates must know in these areas.

Certainly, nearly all state residents can agree that there are basic items that all students should know to graduate. An educational floor, or minimum standard, must be created. Graduates must be able to read, write and compute. The devil, of course, is

in the details. How does one define these terms? How many of the questions do students need to answer correctly to graduate?

Neither politicians nor educators Saturday had the answer, but Saturday's MCAS Challenge was still beneficial in a lot of ways, as it will allow people to have more informed discussion about what the test should ask. But rather than specifically addressing how to improve the existing MCAS test, much of the discussion Saturday centered around whether it was fair to require students to pass any test.

Those opposed to the test often said something along the lines of "How can we do this to good kids? We don't want to ruin someone's life." The flip side of that, of course, is to ask, "How can we fail to guarantee that each graduate's diploma means something, and that we are preparing them to succeed in the world?"

Most of us have probably seen the people that Jay Leno happens to grab on *The Tonight Show* for his "Jaywalking" segments. Leno asks them questions about current events and history. Inevitably, he finds people who think Condoleezza Rice is a sidedish and that the vice president is Clinton. Many are high-school graduates. Some even identify themselves as school teachers. It's funny, of course, until you realize what this says about some areas of the American public school system.

Something needs to change, and the MCAS seems a reasonable place to start. It won't just create a minimum standard for

students, but for teachers, too. Any kid could tell you that there are a small number of teachers who are lousy at what they do. But few administrators will ever side with kids over teachers. The MCAS gives principals and superintendents concrete information about which teachers are getting through to their kids, and which ones fail year after year. It can even show how classes are doing on each individual question.

The MCAS is already having a positive impact. Ed Warnshuis of Lawrence says he took the MCAS Challenge on Saturday because he is starting a grassroots tutoring program for Lawrence High students so that they will be able to pass the test. He says that the majority of Lawrence students speak English as a second language and he's concerned that most of them will fail. After taking the test, he said he's more worried than ever.

Certainly, accommodations, such as giving more time, should be given to those who speak English as a second language. But it would seem that if it wasn't for MCAS, Warnshuis would never have formed his tutoring program in the first place. This program will improve education in Lawrence - and the MCAS should do the same in every community.

But the MCAS can't be viewed as a quick and easy answer to the problems with education. It will take hard and continuous work to make sure the MCAS is a fair and successful assessment. A number of questions still need to be answered.



# Letters

## New-school principal picks devastating

Editor, *Townsmen*:

To Superintendent Claudia Bach:

It is hard to convey the feeling that came upon us when reading your letter received today announcing the appointments to the new middle school. It is one of disappointment, anger, and regret.

We have two daughters at Bancroft, one in third grade, one in kindergarten. This is our first year at Bancroft, as before we were at Shawsheen. In less than a year we have come to not only appreciate but also to truly admire Norah McCarthy, Mr. Morrison and all of the wonderful teachers that make up Bancroft. In great part I do believe that the atmosphere at Bancroft is one created by Mrs. McCarthy. She is loved by the children and parents alike. Our decision to come to Bancroft for our second child in kindergarten, rather than going to Shawsheen, was made after meeting Mrs. McCarthy and Brenda O'Brien prior to her announcement of going to Shawsheen as the new principal.

Your decision seems to indicate that, in order to prove to Andover that building a school in West Andover was the right thing to do (and I do believe that it was), you are uprooting the "best of breed" to make this latest addition a shining star.

Have you truly thought about the impact of your decision? Have you asked parents and children what it means to them? This should be a prerequisite for someone like you in public office.

Let's take a look at Bancroft and Shawsheen:

**BANCROFT:**  
2000-2001 A new assistant principal gets introduced as Brenda leaves.

2001-2002 Mrs. McCarthy leaves.  
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## Don't punish kids with MCAS for educational system's failures

Editor, *Townsmen*:

An Open Response to the MCAS Challenge (condensed from a statement sent to Senator Susan Tucker and Superintendent Claudia Bach):

Because MCAS tests address only some educational objectives, because they are built on elusive standards, because they have significant risk of inaccuracy due to hidden bias, and because punishing students is not a reasonable tool for generating educational reform, MCAS tests should not be used as a graduation requirement.

We all know that public education has some important and highly visible shortcomings. There are schools that fail miserably in providing even the most non-controversial needs of their students. There is widespread suspicion and distrust among educators expressed toward types and levels of accountability that are commonplace in other professional work environments. There are recurring cycles of pedagogical practices that reveal an uncertainty as to what and how young people should learn.

MCAS was a legislative response to public pressure for important reforms in these areas.

As an engineer, I have observed that when you modify a system that you do not understand, improvements to one

objective often come at a cost to others. Analysis is an easy prey to expedience. Traditions have arisen that are easily confused with objectives. There is contradictory evidence of "best practices." Add human nature, and one can understand why the public loses patience with the pace and substance of educational reforms.

It is not possible in this condensed statement to enumerate objectives in order to show that monolithic MCAS testing is suitable in measuring only a few. Suffice it to say that just as there is no prescription for learning that fits all students, neither is there a single test to measure their performance.

MCAS supporters believe that it is important to set standards and to use the test as enforcement. But what should the standard contain? Who gets to decide?

Many of the MCAS Challenge questions were reasonable. But as a mathematician with a doctorate, I can suggest that no one in Andover has ever determined the price of notebooks by solving two equations in two unknowns (an actual question). This problem can be replaced, but questions will always reflect the beliefs and experiences of those who write them and not necessarily the reality of society as a whole.

MCAS tests are biased to those who know test-taking tricks like plugging

multiple choices into equations. They are also biased to those whose vocabularies and experience match the culture of the exam, to those who have seen similar items before, to those who can hold a pencil and mark an answer sheet, to those who can afford tutoring, to those who feel well on the day of the test, and to those with long attention spans and patience.

In the discussion following the MCAS Challenge, there was broad agreement that accommodations should be made for various categories of students. Where does one draw the line?

The challenge exam contained a brief piece by Langston Hughes. It describes two people who meet after a long absence. It is mostly dialogue. The question asks the reader to decide whether the story is told mostly through flashbacks, foreshadowing, dialogue, or description. Easy answer: "dialogue." That is certainly what the test key says. The nervous dialogue does set the tone, but one could also argue that the story actually gains its insights and impact from the concise and atmospheric descriptions. Only one of these answers is officially correct.

Terminology questions are fairly easy to write. However, it is also easy to cross the line into pedantry, imposing needless

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West Andover has all the opportunities to become a great school environment, and that is great. But must you do that by destroying other Andover school communities?

That is where disappointment comes in. Your ability to understand the impact that a school and its participants has within a community seems not to exist. Feel what the kids have to say, talk to parents, and maybe you will understand that the difference is called a heart, a human feeling you seem not to have looked at in your decision.

I hope that you will reconsider, hope that if you do not we can bring this to a vote within the community. You are, after all, an appointed official. We cannot help but wonder, are the teachers of Bancroft and Shawsheen next to go?

A prompt reply and action would be greatly appreciated.

Florence Black  
Summer Street

## 15 years later, explosion still hard to understand

Editor, *Townsmen*:

In 1986, I was living in New York in a small town (population about 200) and I was a reporter for the local newspaper, also called *The Townsman*. At the time of the Challenger explosion (Jan. 28, 1986) I felt that I had to do something, but what? Normal sense came to a standstill and the world asked "Why?" Over the years, I have found solace in my writings and poetry, and this is what I wrote for my newspaper:

**The Valiant Seven**

Seven American from various lives  
Met in Houston for a ride into space  
Each an expert in his or her own field  
But now, resting in God's grace  
Seven Americans, half-way to heaven  
Adding to history, was it all a waste?  
Families and friends below, watching  
and waiting

But now, the seven are in God's grace  
How do we explain the reason for this  
to our children, in the future of space?  
That our need to search for other

worlds must go on

Though the seven are in God's grace.  
Give us, o Lord, the understanding of  
life

But more, the understanding of  
death's pace.

Our valiant seven are in your world  
now

The valiant seven, resting in God's  
grace.

Mary M. Duncan  
31 Chestnut St.

## These kids aren't all right, at Old Town Hall

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Recently, it has come to my attention that there is a real problem with the cluster of adolescents crammed in front of Old Town Hall when school gets out. It isn't them being there so much as their careless actions that bother me so much. There are streets on either side of the small, square brick frontage of the building, and Main Street directly in front of the building. But they think nothing of waltzing out in front of an oncoming truck, with full confidence it will stop. The males, in particular, were rowdy; they were pushing one another into the streets without any fear of being struck by the passing traffic. I also noticed there is a bus stop located on this small area, and the people waiting for rides were being bumped and aggravated by the ultimate lack of respect from the swarming, local school students. There should be some kind of prevention to this catastrophe waiting to happen. It doesn't only put the students at risk, but it also puts the drivers in the vicinity at risk as well.

Sarah Couture  
469 South Main St.

## MCAS

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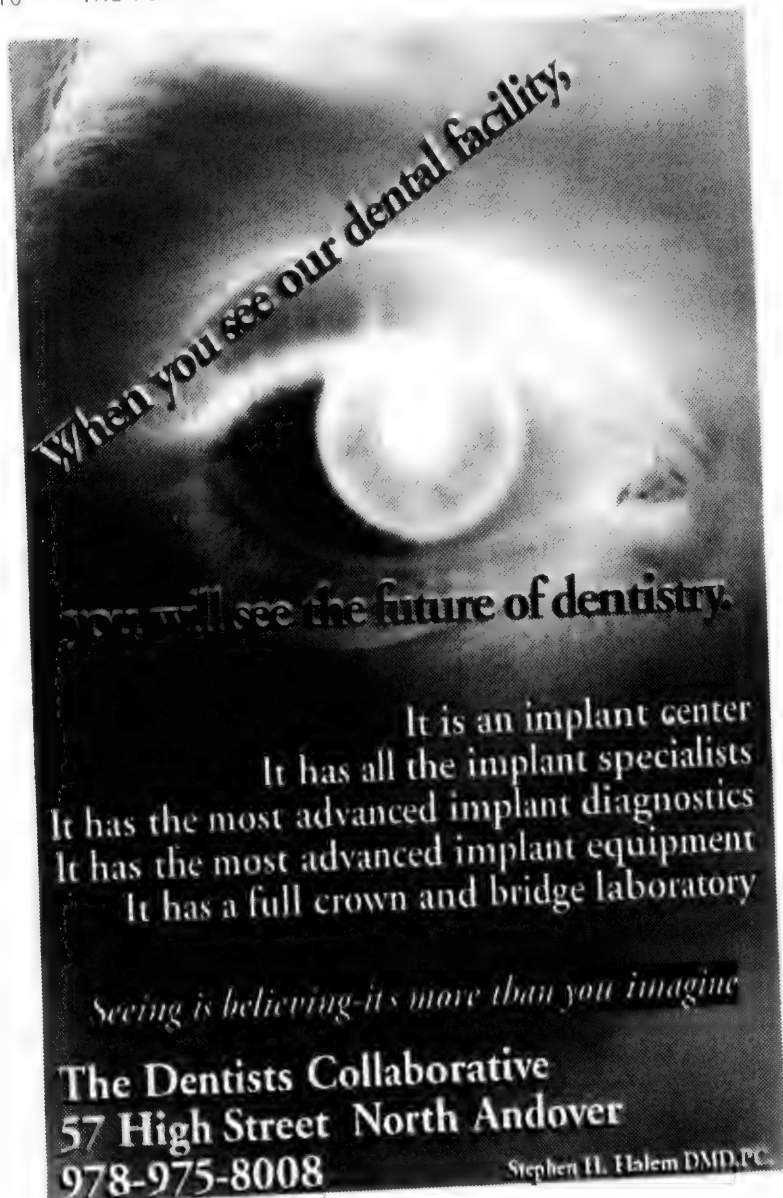
That's why the state should continue to offer MCAS Challenges around Massachusetts. People's input must constantly be used in improving the test.

A core education needs to be identified. Officials should create accommodations for special-needs and ESL students. One compromise to be considered is to offer two levels of the MCAS, one that would be more appropriate for those hoping to continue their education in college, and another for other students, such as those in vocational schools.

With so many questions, the MCAS may not be ready this year to serve as a graduation requirement for all students. But soon it should be.

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## LETTERS

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precision on common vocabulary or requiring distinctions that clutter a conversation. Those in the discussion group testified of questions that they generally understood but missed because of terminology. How important is it to correctly identify the stanza pattern in order to read and to understand a poem by Robert Frost? There is joy in knowing, but probably not survival.

Finally, one needs to ask why so many students fail the MCAS exam. Is it because they are lazy and under-skilled? I doubt it. Are there similar numbers of adults with failed lives due to an inadequate education? There are not.

Some students fail the MCAS exam because they do not take the test seriously. But as a math professor, I found that most students are anxious and willing to learn.

Many fail because the exam is not synchronized with curriculum. MCAS supporters

might argue that this is exactly the point. There is a need for citizens of the Commonwealth to force certain

topics or skill levels into the classroom. I tend to agree. But students have little control over what is covered in the classroom. Nor can they relive their education in order to accommodate a different standard.

My older daughter, recently graduated, had a class at Andover High where the teacher routinely showed up for class late and unprepared. There was little doubt that she would get an A in the course, but she and others in the class began to see the situation as a lost opportunity. She approached the teacher, an act of real courage. Promises were made, but they had no lasting effect. Later, she met with the teacher and the department head. Her request was quickly cast as a personal attack and dismissed. The system closed ranks, even to protect its inadequacies.

Some teachers burn out and lose their ability to motivate.

Some classrooms are over-powered by distractions or lack of resources. Students cannot change these circumstances.

It is unthinkable to punish them for our failures.

The purpose here is not to condemn MCAS tests as an important and useful benchmark, primarily of schools and systems, but also of individuals. Rather, it is to sound an alarm.

We must look, instead, for other methods to make educational services accountable to the communities that they serve. We must not accept easy solutions, simply because the problem is so difficult. We must see education as an urgent priority and an investment that pays back manyfold. And we must recognize that the American system of education — including the best post-secondary system in the world — is not as ineffective as we might think. Second chances abound here. Most Bay Staters can ultimately get the education that they need.

**Bruce E. Earnley**  
Ballardvale Road

## Redistricting Task Force

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an individual elementary district and wind up attending a different middle school from the rest of their classmates. Task force members said that may be unavoidable.

"Nobody wants just 19 students to graduate from elementary school and go to a different middle school from their peers," said

Silva-Grams. "But in each of these options, that's happening."

In prior meetings, the task force created two options for the elementary schools. Gustus said that the task force will consider additional options before presenting them all to the School Committee in April.



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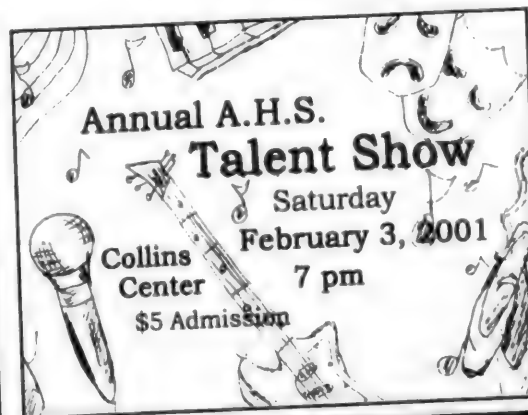
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# Education

**Bancroft, Shawsheen communities deal with the fallout**

## News about principals moving produces a spectrum of emotions

By Adam Groff

The week after Superintendent Claudia Bach announced relocating two current Andover principals to the new schools under construction, many parents of students at Bancroft and Shawsheen schools say they are sorry to see their principals go, but they wish them well.



**Norah McCarthy**



**Brenda O'Brien**

Norah McCarthy of Bancroft Elementary will start her new job this coming July, a year before the new schools are scheduled to open. Bach says the schools need to have a principal on site to oversee construction activities and "guarantee that every detail receive proper, full attention so that our new schools will be completely ready to open (by) fall 2002." Brenda O'Brien of Shawsheen Elementary will start her new job during July 2002.

"Sad" was the word Bancroft parents used most often to describe their feelings last Thursday about losing McCarthy.

"I think she's done a fine job, and I'll be sad to see her go," said Victor Svec of Stonehenge Road.

"It's sad. I think Norah has a wonderful rapport with Bancroft and the community," said Leslie Ganley of Washington Avenue.

"I think she's going to be a good principal," said Ganley's

second-grade daughter, Rose. "She's nice, and she always is good to people she sees in the hallway."

"I like Norah a lot and I wish her and Brenda the best," said Cindy Forster of Pipers Glen. "I think they'll make a terrific team."



**Caroline Grady of Old School House Road**

"I'm going to miss her, because she was a really nice principal," said Forster's daughter Mary Rose, who is in third grade. "She was



**Marina Adly of Greenwood Road**

funny." Bancroft art teacher Sindy Weiss was similarly effusive.

"She's so fantastic," she said. "I'm depressed she's leaving, but I know she'll do a great job at the new school. She's been really motivating to the staff, but this is a great opportunity for her."

"We're already planning the party for her at the end of the year," said Pat D'Ambra, co-president of the Bancroft Parent-Teacher Organization. "It's made me think more of the superintendent," she said of the McCarthy pick.

"I think it's great for Norah," said Thyra Sherman, the other Bancroft PTO president. "She's part of the school, but we love (assistant principal) Scott Morrison, and he'll still be there. From the PTO standpoint, we just want to send her off with all kinds of good wishes."

Not everyone is thrilled with the decision, however. Parent Florence Black sent a letter to Bach and the *Townsmen* expressing "disappointment, anger, and regret" at the decision, saying it will hurt the Bancroft community and excluded parents from the decision-making process.

Sherman said she can understand why some parents might feel that way, but she urged a more positive outlook.

"What Norah has instilled can be carried on," she said. "She has established a culture (at Bancroft) - it's a very close, nurturing environment, and there are enough good people there who can carry that on. You have to look at the positive side."

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## Taking the MCAS Challenge

By Adam Groff

More than 75 Andover parents, community leaders, and area residents took the MCAS Challenge at the Andover High School cafeteria on Saturday, moving through 48 multiple choice questions culled from last year's 10th-grade MCAS test and then discussing them afterward.



Photos by Tim Jean

**Willard Robinson ponders an MCAS question.**

"It was very successful from my point of view as a legislator," said state Sen. Sue Tucker, who conceived and organized the exercise, "because it gave me a chance to hear intensely from my constituents about education."

Under the watchful eyes of news cameras from New England Cable News and Channels 5, 7, and 56, participants spent an hour answering a dozen questions each from the English, Math, Science, and Social Studies portions of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System, after which they broke into small discussion groups. While most participants seemed to find the exercise worthwhile, it seemed mainly to confirm the diversity of opinion that had existed previously.

Two issues seemed

to separate themselves from the mix, according to three people with whom the *Townsmen* spoke before and after the test. The first question, whether it is reasonable to expect 10th-grade students to know the sort of material that appears on the test, was answered by and large in the affirmative. But the second question, whether such a test should be the sole determinant of graduation, contin-

ues to draw fire. "The questions are probably a reasonable expectation of what a tenth-grader could reasonably be expected to know," said attorney and Finance Committee member Debra Silberstein, "but (they should) not necessarily be expected to know it to graduate."

Overall, she said, the exercise was a good experience, but her basic misgivings about

the test remain.

"I still have questions about how much time this test is taking away from things that I think are really important," she said. "How much time has to be taken away from regular instruction, and how much teaching to the test is there?"

"You have to look at what is the purpose of high-school education:

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**State Senator Sue Tucker**



**Ginny Scharff**



**Bancroft art teacher Sindy Weiss**



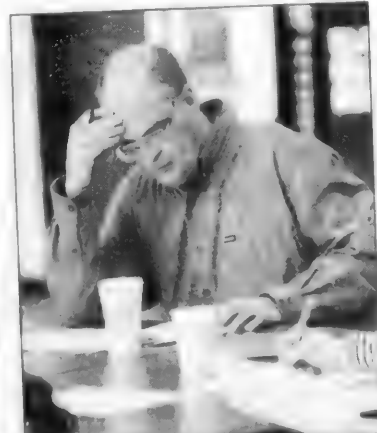
**Victor Svec of Stonehenge Road**



**Raymond, Mary Rose and Cindy Forster of Pipers Glen**



**Joe Geary is interviewed by New England Cable News.**



**The MCAS table is turned on by Principal Peter Anderson.**



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Left: Kathy Dunn, Vice-President of Young Widows & Widowers  
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## SCHOOLTALK

The Doherty Middle School PAC will meet today, Thursday, Feb. 1 at 7 p.m. in the school's McGrail Media Center. **Principal Floyd MacManus** will answer questions from parents on all issues relating to life at Doherty. A PAC business meeting will follow. All Doherty parents are welcome. For more information, call **Norma Villarreal**, 475-4485.

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**Robert M. Gates**, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency, will be the featured guest speaker at Yankee Clipper Council's Eagle Recognition Banquet.

Fourteen scouts from Andover are among the 129 local new Eagle Scouts to be honored on Friday, Feb. 9 at the **Sheraton Ferncroft Resort** in Danvers.

The new Eagle Scouts from Andover are: **Thomas Audiero, Matthew Bularzik, Michael Burnett, Douglas Cooper, Roderick Day, Ryan Domigan, Evan Eulie, Jonathan Gardner, Michael Huang, Douglas Johnson, Nathan MacKenzie, Justin Magnan, Geoffrey Martin and Matthew Newcomb**. Each of the young men being honored earned the rank of Eagle in the year

2000.

Gates, an Eagle Scout in his own right and the recipient of the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, is president of the National Eagle Scout Association. Gates served as director of Central Intelligence from November 1991 to January 1993. From January 1989 until November 1991, Gates served as Assistant to the President and Deputy National Security Adviser at the White House.



**Robert M. Gates**

As part of the requirements for achieving scouting's most prestigious rank, each of the 129 young men who will be honored earned at least 21 merit badges and planned, developed and gave leadership to an Eagle Scout service project representing approximately 100 volunteer hours. Less than 3 percent of all registered Scouts achieve this distinguished rank, organizers said.

## MCAS Challenge

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Is it to give these children the skills they need to succeed in the world and in the job market, and are we doing that, and is the MCAS going to help us?"

"I think the consensus was pretty much that we couldn't agree," said Andover Town-wide PTO moderator Diane Hender. "We did agree that it was reasonable, but we couldn't agree why it was reasonable—it was reasonable for kids who had the material, but is it reasonable as an evaluation of the education system? That we couldn't agree on."

Software engineer and former math teacher **Bruce Earnley** has critiqued the MCAS extensively in a letter to Tucker and Andover School Superintendent **Claudia Bach**, an abridged version of which appears as a letter to the editor on page 9. Nonetheless, he thought Saturday's program was very useful.

"It gave me a very focused and personal view of the test itself," he said of the MCAS

Challenge. "I think because of my exposure to the test, I could see firsthand some of the problems. And it was a very good to have a chance to talk with people afterward. There were a lot of very influential people in that meeting, and it was good to hear what they had to say and it was good for them to hear what we had to say."

In addition to Tucker, Andover Selectmen Chairman **Brian Major** participated in the event, as did members of the Andover School Committee and a representative from the Lawrence School Committee.

Earnley said he opposes "holding student diplomas hostage" to a single test, on which some students may perform poorly for a host of reasons that have nothing to do with their readiness to graduate from

high school. "What I would require everyone to absolutely know is not as big a list as the things I would hope they know," he further remarked. "It's less an issue of whether the test is reasonable, as whether it's appropriate as a graduation requirement."

Tucker said the test participants were so enthusiastic about the discussion that many did not want to leave when the exercise concluded at noon. She said that since Saturday, she has been receiving lengthy e-mails from participants continuing to expound their views.

"I sensed a clear view that we don't want to go back to the days when students were graduating without any clear determination that they can read and write and compute," she said, although many participants, according to her, "certainly were not interested in having the MCAS be the only measure."

Tucker said she is considering hosting a similar event in Lawrence in the future.



Photo by Tim Jean

**David Brown checks out the MCAS test.**

## Two principals

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Parents at Shawsheen School expressed similar feelings toward O'Brien, who has been at Shawsheen only since last year.

"I think it's very positive (for the new schools)," said Marina Adly of Greenwood Road. "She's a very kind, very open-door type of person."

"It seems fine," said Lucy Rizzo of Harvard Road. "She's done a great job and the kids are very happy. It'll be sad."

Another parent, however, expressed some reservations.

"I thought it was a little sudden. The rapid turnover is unfortunate for Shawsheen," said Caroline Grady of Old School House Road.

Bach has said that the job opening for principal at Bancroft will be posted within the next few weeks, while the position at Shawsheen will be posted next year.



## LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, Feb. 5-9:

### Elementary schools

**Monday:** American chop suey, hot dog on a roll with puffs, pizza stick with pretzel, salad, applesauce, Jello, and milk.

**Tuesday:** Chicken and gravy, nachos with cheese, chocolate chip pancake, potato, peaches, and milk. (Lucky Tray Day.)

**Wednesday:** Meatloaf dinner, baked chicken nuggets, toasted cheese sandwich, potato, green beans, fruit, and milk.

**Thursday:** Two tacos, french toast with sausage, hamburger on a roll, potato puffs, pineapple, brownie, and milk.

**Friday:** Roast turkey dinner, baked chicken nuggets, slice of pizza, potato, corn, apple, and milk.

### Doherty Middle School

**Monday:** American chop suey, Chicken McSchool, two hot dogs, salad, applesauce, Jello, and milk.

**Tuesday:** Chicken and gravy, mozzarella sticks with sauce, slice of pizza, potato, green beans, fruit, and milk.

**Wednesday:** Meatloaf dinner, baked chicken nuggets, two toasted cheese sandwiches, potato, green beans, fruit, and milk.

**Thursday:** Two tacos, Chicken McSchool, hamburger on roll, potato puffs, pineapple, brownie, and milk.

**Friday:** Roast turkey dinner, baked chicken nuggets, slice of pizza, potato, corn, apple, and milk.

### Secondary schools

**Monday:** Chicken McSchool, spaghetti with marinara sauce, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie, and milk.

**Tuesday:** Chicken and gravy with potato, American chop suey, stuffed crust pizza, fresh fruit, veggie, and milk.

**Wednesday:** Two tacos, rotini with garlic and butter sauce, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie, and milk.

**Thursday:** Meatloaf dinner, spaghetti and meatballs, stuffed crust pizza, fresh fruit, veggie, brownie, and milk.

**Friday:** Beef stew with roll, rotini with garlic and butter sauce, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie, and milk.

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# News

## Project targeted for Union Street

# Hindu center looks to build, offer services in Andover

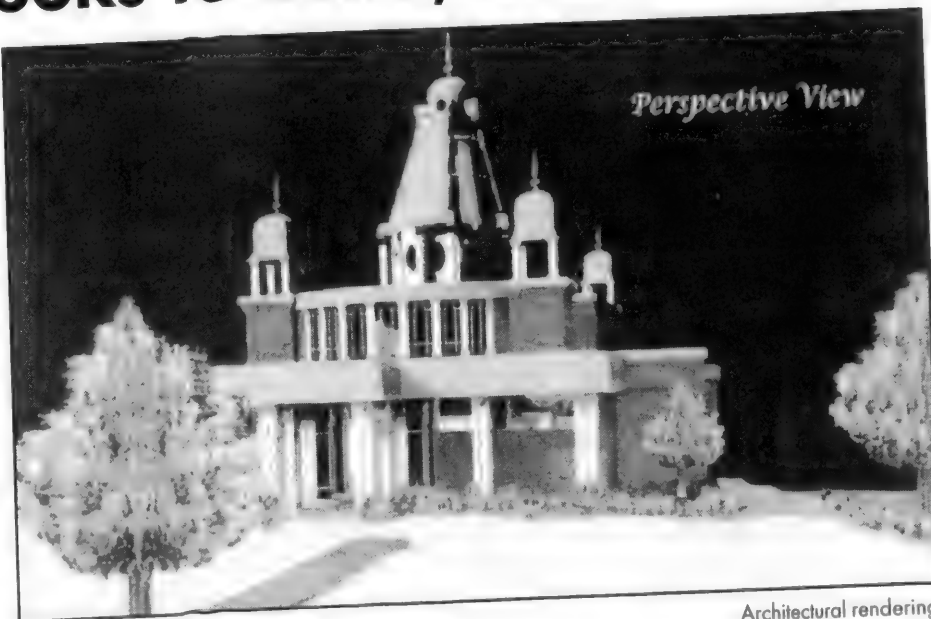
By Rebecca Piro

If the Planning Board approves construction of the private Chinmaya Mission on Union Street, about 25 Indian families in Andover and North Andover will no longer have to travel out of town for their Hindu services and educational classes.

Last Tuesday, Jan. 30, the board listened to Gopala Dwarakanath explain the layout of the three-level building slated for 1 Union St., which sits between Kenilworth Street and the ramp to Interstate 495.

If approved, the building will be the main center for the New England population of the Chinmaya Mission, a "headquarters" for a philosophic aspect of Hinduism, Dwarakanath says. Members will hold worship services on Sundays and attend classes on Saturdays. The group's mission statement is centered on the core values of the family unit, and how individual members should give back to society, he says. Mission members are so concerned with the relationship to their community that they say they made sure the 23,000 square foot building is designed to blend with New England architecture and specific traits found on Andover buildings.

"It is partly Indian, partly New Eng-



Perspective View

Architectural rendering

**New union —** The New England population of the Chinmaya Mission is looking to bring to Union Street a 23,000 square-foot facility that it will use on weekends for Hindu services and educational classes.

land," says Dwarakanath. "The (four) cupolas are almost like what is on the Andover public library." The bricks for the outside walls will also match the color and size of brick found in Shawsheen Square, he says.

Six classrooms, a lecture hall, a shrine

and a multi-purpose room will comprise most of the center's square footage, Dwarakanath adds. No more than 140 people, from several surrounding communities, will flock to the Mission on its busiest days. The building will be 33 feet high, with a steeple reaching up 44 addi-

tional feet over the main structure.

While the Chinmaya Mission members want the building to blend with the traditional New England character of Andover, Dwarakanath says that the building is also unique to any other facility in town. The diversity that the Chinmaya Mission will add to the town is a positive change, he says.

"It can only enhance the multicultural (aspect) of the town," says Dwarakanath, who has lived in Andover for several years. The center is open to people of all religions, and the mission hopes the building will serve as an educational resource to the town, he adds.

The board continued last Tuesday's hearing to Tuesday, Feb. 13, when discussion will resume. Planning members paid a visit to the site Sunday. "We were very pleased with their approach," says Chairman Michael Miller. "They were very sensitive to the neighbors and trying to satisfy their concerns. They seemed very willing to work with the board."

The abutting residents who voiced concerns about screening and lighting were assured by the Chinmaya proponents' responses, Miller says. At this point in time, he sees no indication that the board will have difficulty approving the project.

## Park pit: Turtle nests or soccer nets

By Rebecca Piro

Two groups will go head-to-head on the floor of Annual Town Meeting this April, urging residents to choose what, if anything, will happen to the former Essex Sand and Gravel pit at Recreation Park.

The idea to construct playing fields in the pit has already failed twice at Town Meeting, but this year the Andover Soccer Association is hoping that its \$500,000 offer to help fund the construction will make the proposal more attractive to voters. Resident Tom Jones is countering the association's plan by asking that voters preserve the pits as an ecological park with "negligible" town funds.

Jones filed his article as a response to Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantadosi's article, which this year will stand on Town Meeting floor for the third time. Piantadosi's article asks

residents to follow the course begun with their 1995 Town Meeting vote, which removed the Essex Sand and Gravel pit from conservation control and gave it to the town to use for active recreation. Last year, Piantadosi asked for \$1.1 million to build three multi-purpose playing fields on that

land. This year, the same proposal will return, but with an added condition — an offer from the soccer association to give \$500,000 towards the construction, almost cutting in half the town's contribution to the project.

Jones says the playing-fields concept is a good idea, but he would rather the town create an ecological park in the pit and repopulate the area with native plants and animals — an option that he says would require mostly private funds, costing the town next to nothing.

"We really have no quarrel with those who support fields," says Jones, who would not elaborate on the support for his article. "There is definitely an acute need for fields in town. (But) this is an ecologically rich environment with the opportunity to repopulate it with species that



**Competing interests —** A pair of Town Meeting articles seek either to use Rec Park's gravel pit for conservation or for playing fields.

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## On Speaker Tom Finneran's term limit Andover reps split vote

By Adam Groff

Last week, when the overwhelmingly Democratic state House of Representatives voted to remove term limits on the powerful position of House Speaker, State Rep. Barry Finegold was one of only 15 Democrats who voted against the measure.

"It was a very tough vote," said Finegold, "but I just felt that there's an old line that if you forget about history you're destined to repeat it."

The provision for limiting to four the number of two-year terms a House member can be speaker was enacted in 1994, partly in reaction to House Speaker Tom McGee's nine years in the position during the 1980s. Last Wednesday, Jan. 24, the House reversed itself by a vote of 111 to 39.

There are 132 Democrats in the House, and 27 Republicans. The current speaker, Mattapan Democrat Tom Finneran, was recently

elected to his third two-year term as speaker.

Finegold opposed Wednesday's measure on several grounds, saying the House shouldn't change rules based on whether members like the person in power.

"What happened last week is one of the reasons people lose faith in the system," he said. "It's like when you drive late at night and you come to a stop light, and there's no one there and it's kind of a pain to stop. But traffic lights are there for a reason, so you stop anyway."



**Barry Finegold:** Against ending term limits.

Finegold said that, in addition to guarding against "stagnation," another reason to support term limits for the speaker is that the speaker is elected every two years by the House members, not the voters.

"I just don't think people want one person in power for an extended period of time," he said, "and voters don't have a say in who the

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# Missed deadline

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cated on the schedule of things they said they would have done. But the most important thing was their efforts to getting the project done overall on the schedule."

That "overall" schedule stretches over two years, and the town is held by contract to give Mello that entire time to complete the project, says Piantedosi. Mello's progress over the past couple of weeks - consisting of preparations for the foundations - has left the project six weeks behind schedule, an improvement from the two-month lag last reported to the *Townsmen*.

Selectmen Chairman Brian Major did not have an update on the project's status Tuesday afternoon. However, he says it's more important that Mello has shown significant progress, than that it failed to meet a deadline.

"When we were talking about the lack of the work on site back in November and December, we wanted to make sure we were moving forward in a solid manner," Major says. "If Joe (Piantedosi) feels comfortable about the amount of work done, then I feel good about that."

But a deadline not adhered to demands serious attention, argues Stephen Joyce, director of the Prevailing Wage Enforcement Department at the Carpenters' Labor Management Program. The privately-funded group serves as a reference source to town officials who are con-

sidering contractors for projects. According to the department's research, Joyce says that several projects Mello is currently working on or has just finished - a temporary police station in Taunton; the Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical High School also in Taunton; and the Jenkins Elementary School in Scituate - are or were behind schedule. Taunton's police chief confirmed problems at both the police station and the tech high school, and the Scituate business and finance manager confirmed delays on the elementary school that will force it to open a year later than planned.

Not meeting its promised schedules is one good reason for a town to end a contract with the company, Joyce says. "If they're not meeting their schedules, that's when the community can step in (and) actually hire someone else, because of the lack of performance."

However, company President Carlos Mello says that unknown factors can arise in almost any construction project, in which case a

delay is inevitable, and the contractor blameless.

"Every project has its own unique situation," Mello says. The Bristol-Plymouth High School project, for example, demanded \$500,000 of changes to the original design, which delayed completion for eight days, he says.

Piantedosi and Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski have both said that the town is not considering ending the contract with Mello. "We basically asked them to get the project back on schedule,"

Piantedosi says. "They have made a lot of effort over the past couple of weeks. There has been some good progress. If they continue the same way they have been in the last two weeks, they will get the project back on schedule."

"Six weeks is not too far (off)," says Mello. "I think we can make up a couple more weeks. Maybe we can't, if there are... unanticipated situations down the road. But there is good progress right now."



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# POLICE LOG

## ARRESTS

Wednesday, Jan. 24 - At 1:56 p.m., Carol Cullen, 47, of 85 Russell's Way, Westford, was arrested and charged with illegal possession of a Class D substance.

Friday, Jan. 26 - At 11:55 a.m., Rafael Gomez, 38, of 4 Thorndike St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving without a license, insurance and registration; illegally attaching license plates to a vehicle; and altering his inspection sticker.

Saturday, Jan. 27 - At 12:24 p.m., Frank Slauenwhite, 30, of 66 Houghton St., Woburn, was arrested and charged on a warrant for violating a state building code.

At 6:19 p.m., a 31-year-old male from Lexington was taken into protective custody for intoxication.

At 9:47 p.m., Julie Chea, 33, of 53 Summer St., was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

At 11:39 p.m., Dylan Hayn, 20, of 299 Hell Hollow Road, Voluntown, Conn., was arrested and charged with trespassing and as a minor carrying alcohol.

Sunday, Jan. 28 - At 10:56 p.m., Johnny Correa, 22, of 370 Ocean Ave., Revere, was arrested and charged on a warrant for assault and battery, trespassing and disturbing the peace.

Monday, Jan. 29 - At 8:33 p.m., Ryan Linehan, 19, of 3 Congress St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with illegal possession of a Class D and a Class A substance and carrying a dangerous

weapon.

Tuesday, Jan. 30 - At 12:55 p.m., Joseph Normandin, 28, of 43 Middle St., Pawtucket, R.I., was arrested and charged with illegally possessing a Class D substance, resisting arrest, driving after his right to drive was suspended and driving without insurance or registration.

At 2:48 p.m., Scott Allen, 37, of 41 Bay Ridge Road, Greenland, N.H., was arrested and charged on a warrant for a 1993 motor vehicle offense.

## INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Jan. 24 - At 8:18 a.m., a female reported that she had lost her wedding ring at Shawsheen School.

Thursday, Jan. 25 - At 11:58 a.m., an officer reported that a male student punched his girlfriend, also a student, in the face at Andover High School.

At 1:29 p.m., an employee on Park Street reported that she was verbally assaulted by the same customer for a second time.

At 3:58 p.m., a caller reported that a Pearson Street male was found dead in his residence. Police say that the cause of death is still unknown.

At 5:59 p.m., a male reported that he had received a threatening phone call in reference to his vehicle being towed. At 7:21 p.m., the same male reported that he received a threat on his life.

Friday, Jan. 26 - At 5:30 p.m., an Abbot Street resident reported that he was having trouble with a young male

who keeps trespassing on his property.

Saturday, Jan. 27 - At 1:51 a.m., workers at Lawrence General Hospital reported a patient who was a victim of assault and battery at Vicor Corp.

At 10:19 a.m., an employee of Friendly's restaurant reported finding a passport with a license inside. Police are holding the items.

At 2:12 p.m., a female reported that she had fallen on Post Office Avenue due to the presence of some signs on the corner of the road.

At 2:40 p.m., a cell-phone caller reported that a potted plant was sitting in the road on North Street. The caller, who surmised the plant may have fallen off a truck, said he was too busy to stop and move it. An officer reported to the scene to take care of the plant.

Sunday, Jan. 28 - At 2:20 a.m., a resident reported that he had been assaulted and was treated at Lawrence General Hospital. He gave the names of the parties involved in his assault to police.

At 2:41 p.m., a caller reported that a person was driving a snowmobile on Foster's Pond. The snowmobile rider left when an officer arrived at the scene.

Monday, Jan. 29 - At 11 a.m., a female reported that her son had attempted suicide by ingesting several pills and drinking whiskey. The boy was taken to the hospital and treated.

At 9:56 p.m., an officer was to file on the transfer of a bad

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## POLICE LOG

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Tuesday, Jan. 30 - At 5:36 p.m., police received a report of a duck in a puddle on Dascumb Road. When an officer reported to the scene, the duck was gone.

### BREAKS

No breaks were reported this week.

### THEFTS

Friday, Jan. 26 - At 6:34 a.m., an employee from the Lowell Street Mobil Station reported that a customer had left without paying. The employee thought that the customer might have attempted to pay with a card

at a pump but the transaction was denied. An officer followed the customer home, and the customer made plans to return to the gas station to take care of the bill.

Saturday, Jan. 27 - At 1:28 a.m., a Hearthstone Place resident reported that his credit cards were stolen.

At 12:07 p.m., a person reported that some money was missing from an account at the Raytheon Credit Union.

Monday, Jan. 29 - At 11:58 a.m., a caller reported the theft of a space heater from a Minuteman Road location.

At 4:24 p.m., a N.H. resident reported that her credit card had been stolen from Putnam Investments on Shat-

tuck Road in Andover on Jan. 11.

Tuesday, Jan. 30 - At 3:32 p.m., a caller reported that an employee at New England Business Park was falsifying time cards.

### AUTO INCIDENTS

Friday, Jan. 26 - At 9:24 a.m., an officer was to file on a lost or stolen license plate.

Sunday, Jan. 28 - At 10:14 a.m., a caller reported that his rear license plate had been stolen.

### ACCIDENTS

No accidents with personal injury were reported this week, according to the press log.

### VANDALISM

One case of vandalism was reported this week.

Photo by Tim Jean

On Thursday, Jan 25, Sergeant William Ouellette (left) and Lt. William Mackenzie (right) were sworn into duty by Town Clerk Randy Hanson. Both men had held provisional appointments given earlier this year. Officer Andrew Dunn (center) was sworn in as a patrolman.



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# Arts & Entertainment

Andover High chorus goes gospel for a change...

## Group teams with New England Classical Singers for special concert honoring Black History Month

By Judy Wakefield

After his master-class rehearsal with the Andover High School chorus last Monday, conductor David Hodgkins came away feeling confident that the youths will do a great job tackling a new singing style.

That style is gospel, and the chorus will try it next week when they team with the New England Classical Singers for a special concert. The concert, set for Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m., at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, is being held in honor of Black History Month.

"This is a very good group, responsive to a different kind of singing. It takes awhile to get used to this style," Hodgkins said of the Andover High singers. "They are excited and that's great."

Hodgkins is in his second year

as conductor of NECS, a regional chorus based in Andover that holds auditions for new members. Andover High is among four local high-school choruses teaming up with NECS for this event. The others are Lawrence, North Andover, and Lynnfield.

Entitled "The Old Ship of Zion," the concert is a lecture demonstration featuring Dr. Horace Clarence Boyer, a dynamic African-American music scholar and performer.

The concert traces Negro and spiritual

music from the 1640s until the present, Hodgkins said. Three selections by NECS are interspersed throughout the lecture. A fourth selection, entitled "It's My Desire" and written by Boyer, features NECS and the

high-school groups. About 160 singers will take over the stage for this grand finale.

Organizers call the event a major coup, as Boyer is a leading interpreter of African-American vocal music. He has toured internationally and has served as a curator of musical instruments for the Smithsonian Institution. He is currently a professor emeritus of music theory and African-American music at UMass Amherst.



Horace C. Boyer

Hodgkins, who earned his music education degree at UMass in piano and voice, is a former student of Boyer's and the two are good friends. Hodgkins also earned a master's degree in choral conducting at Temple University College of Music. He is currently



The New England Classical Singers, with artistic director David Hodgkins, perform at their Anne Bradstreet Week concert in September 2000.

director of music at the Commonwealth School in Boston and artistic director of Coro Allegro, one of the premier choruses in the Boston area.

Hodgkins said he is hoping to expand NECS's current two-concert season and likes the idea of teaming up with high school singers. His ideas include a high-school choral festival and a spe-

cial concert featuring Spanish music.

"If the response to this show is positive, we will be able to continue and do more outreach," he said. "There are so many people out there who love to sing."

Tickets to the concert are \$15 general admission, \$10 for seniors, and \$5 for students. Tickets are available by calling 474-6090.

## Feb 3: Talent-packed night at AHS

By Adam Groff

What do a bagpiper, a magician, three Irish dancers, and 10 rock 'n' roll bands have in common? You can see them all this Saturday, Feb. 3, at the Andover High School Talent Show at the Collins Center. And they're all just a part of the show.

"At this point we have 43 acts signed up," said AHS chorus director Carol Prasad last week. "We're hoping to shorten it down to 30 at least."

Prasad said that the talent show is the major fundraiser each year for the chorus, helping in part to fund a college scholarship for outstanding chorus students.

In addition to rock bands Ten Fifty, Stique Bol, Fly Away, PB & Jam, Third Impact, and a host of others that have not yet submitted their names, Prasad said the night will also feature such acts as: a band with a lead singer, two violins, a tympany, bass guitar and tamborine; jazz dancers; hip-hop dancers; a bass guitar duet; and two classical pianists, one performing Chopin and one performing Rachmaninoff.



Chris Krey (on keyboards), performing Tuesday with classmates, will be in several acts Saturday night.

Photo by Tim Jean

Serving as masters of ceremonies for the talent show will be seniors Cassandra Thompson and Brett Weiner.

"I've never known it not to be good," said Prasad.

"We have some fantastic talent in the Andover area, and they're going to strut their stuff," said chorus parent and talent-show coordinator Linda Iullicci. Her son, Louis, and his band will be performing classic rock covers. Her daughter, Marianne, was recently accepted as a voice major at the University of Maine.

"It's great, because the kids come out to see their friends," she

said. "It's a fun thing, and I love the kids. They have such a good time."

Iullicci said that the \$5 tickets can be purchased in school from any chorus student, or at the door. Other chorus parents will have baked goods on sale during intermission.

The AHS chorus recently received School Committee approval for their May field trip to Walt Disney World to compete in MusicFest Orlando, and Prasad said that they were recently notified of their acceptance to perform in Disney Magic Music Days on the same trip.

## Music, marriage and madness... Chamber Music Series Valentine concert

The Andover Chamber Music Series will celebrate the power of love at its fourth annual Valentine concert on Saturday, Feb. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College. Julia Scolnik, artistic director, has assembled a cast of musicians to perform a romantic repertoire. Pianist Judith Gordon, violinist Lynn Chang, violist James Dunham, cellist Andrew Diaz and Scolnik will present a program of Clara Schumann's *Piano Trio, op. 17*, and Brahms' *Piano Quartet in c minor*. Tenor William Hite will sing Robert Schumann's song cycle, *Dichterliebe, op. 47*. All of the musicians are well-known to area audiences. Gordon, Chang, Dunham, and Diaz continue to receive critical acclaim for concerts and recitals on the national and international stage. Hite has appeared with many ensembles, including the Boston Symphony, Handel and Haydn Society, and Boston Baroque. His voice has been described as "heart-stoppingly beautiful," organizers said.



William Hite

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More about the composers and the programmed works will be presented in a pre-concert lecture for ticket holders at 6:30 p.m. Check the ACMS website: <www.andoverchambermusic.org>. Tickets for the concert are \$22, \$18 and \$14, and can be obtained in advance by calling 1-800-687-0431 or 474-6222; or on the Web site.



# EVENTS CALENDAR

## THURSDAY, FEB. 1

**PAC meeting**, Doherty Middle School, 7 p.m., McGrail Media Center; Norma Villarreal 475-4485.

**Live music**, Liz Lannon Trio, 8 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 470-1606.

**Film series**, *Stagecoach*, starring John Wayne, 7 p.m., free, Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy; 749-4015.

**Andover Fly Fishers series**, with Bob

Mitchell, on bay striper fishing, 7 p.m. free, Memorial Hall Library; Carolyn Fantini 475-4602.

**"Owls of New England" live presentation**, 7 p.m., Tewksbury Public Library, Tewksbury; (978) 851-9505.

## FRIDAY, FEB. 2

**US Air Force Band of Liberty concert**, 7:30 p.m., free, Collins Center; John Doherty 623-8218.



US Air Force Band of Liberty will give a free concert tomorrow, Friday, at 7:30 p.m. in the Collins Center. Call 623-8218.

**Concert**, Quintessential Brass, 7:30 p.m., Timken Room, Graves Hall, Phillips Academy; 749-4263.

**Gospel concert**, featuring Confirmation, an 8-

voice contemporary gospel ensemble, 7-10 p.m., Third Baptist Church, Lawrence; sponsored by Lowell National Historical Park; (978) 970-5000.

**Gallery talk**, with artists Debra Weisberg, Michael Beatty, 10 a.m., Montserrat College of Art Gallery, 23 Essex St., Beverly; (978) 922-8222.

**Gallery opening**, 49 p.m., Ayer Lofts Art Gallery's *Reflections of Winter*, 172 Middle St., Lowell; (978) 853-0229.

**Live comedy**, Brad Mastrangelo, Annette Pollack, Chris Fucile, 9:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

**Live comedy**, Chance Langton, Spike Tobin, Harry Corcell, 8, 10:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill

93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

**Live music**, Tres Fiasco, 9 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 470-1606.

## SATURDAY, FEB. 3

**Andover High Talent Show**, 7 p.m., \$5, Collins Center; 475-1648.

**\$10K Lottery dinner**, 6-10 p.m., \$125 per ticket, benefits St. Michael School, Wyndham Andover, 123 Old River Road; 686-4050.

**Martins Pond Winter Festival**, noon-4 p.m., Clarke Park, North Reading; Janet 664-1776.

**Angelo and Angel's Whacky Italian Wedding**, 7 p.m., \$40, Amesbury Playhouse Dinner Theater, 194 Main St. Amesbury; (978) 388-9444.

**Chicken pie supper**, 6 p.m., \$7, \$5 under 12, seniors, Tewksbury Congregational Church, Tewksbury.

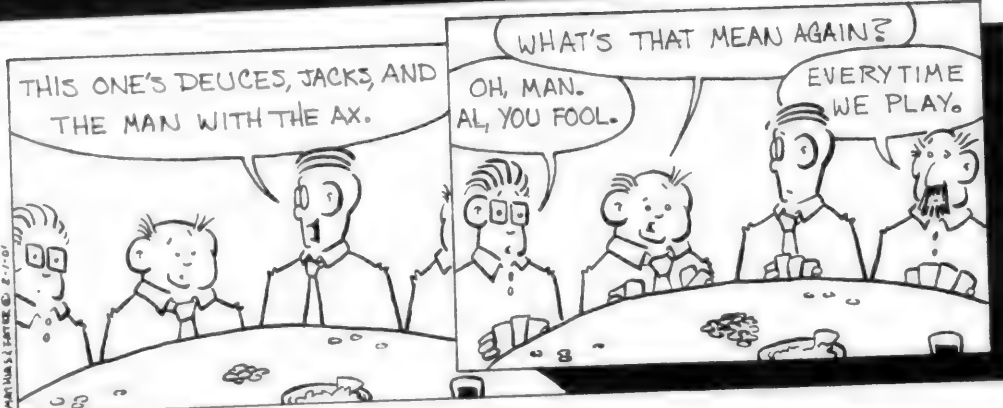
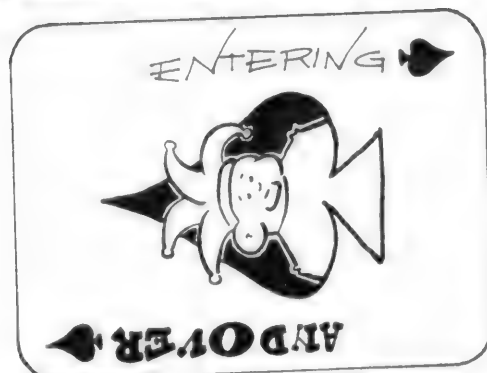
**Travel show**, "Great Getaways and other Good Stuff," sponsored by the North of Boston Convention and Visitors Bureau, 6 p.m., \$15 door, \$10 reserved, Holiday Inn, Rte. 1 North, Peabody; (978) 977-7760.

**Live comedy**, Brad Mastrangelo, Annette Pollack, Chris Fucile, 9:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

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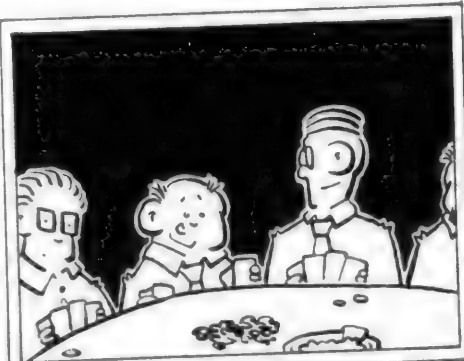
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# EVENTS CALENDAR

9 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 470-1606.

## SUNDAY, FEB. 4

**Frederick Douglass re-enactment**, by Dr. James Spruill, 2 p.m., Lawrence Library, 51 Lawrence St., Lawrence; 475-2236, <andhists@ma.ultra-net.com>.

**The 10-most asked questions of faith discussion**, with Daryl E. Witmer, executive director of Areopagus II America (a national Christian ministry), 9 a.m., 6 p.m., New England Bible Church.

**Opening, Textile Art from Southern Appalachia: The Quiet Work of Women**, 2 p.m., curator Kathleen Curtis Wilson presents exhibit slide show, American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978) 441-0400.

**Candlemas procession and evensong**, 7:30 p.m., with clergy and choirs of the



**Frederick Douglass**

North Shore Deanery, Trinity Church, 124 River Road, Topsfield; (978) 887-5570.

**Bridal show**, \$8, Wyndham Andover Hotel; (800) 272-EXPO (3976).

**Live music**, Jazz/Blues hosted by Tony Gallo with special guest musicians, 5:30 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 470-1606.

**Chamber music concert**, Northshore Youth Symphony Orchestra, 4 p.m., free, First Baptist Church, 240 Cabot St., Beverly.

**Monday, Feb. 5**

**"Choice, not Chance,"** for parents of high school juniors on the college selection and application process, 7:30 p.m., Andover High, Collins Center; Allison Brown Collins 623-8602.

**Film night, Thomas Lannon and Chebacco Schooners of Essex**, 7:30 p.m., \$3, Essex Agricultural School, Smith Hall auditorium.



**Kathleen Curtis Wilson**



um, Rte. 62, Danvers; Dan Tremblay, evenings (978) 777-2711.

## TUESDAY, FEB. 6

**Slide show**, by naturalist, photographer, author Michael Tougias, sponsored by Andover Garden Club, Lanam Club, noon, 260 N. Main St.; Louise Ponti 475-5168.

**Jazz**, The Gray Sargent Trio, 7:30-10:30 p.m., \$5 cover, Casa Vecchia, Rte. 97, Salem, N.H.; (603) 893-6553.

## WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

**Parent to Parent presentation**, "Talking with your kids about Sexuality," grades K-3, with Carol Plotkin, 7:30-9 p.m., free, West Middle School auditorium; Barbara Jezak 474-0387.

Merrimack College; 474-6090. Micro slide shows, Merrimack Valley Camera Club, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 689-9643. Parent workshop, on "Positive approaches to discipline," sponsored by Families First, for parents of 3-5-year-olds, 7:30-9 p.m., \$30 per person for two classes, pre-registration required, Faith Lutheran Church, 360 So. Main St.; (617) 868-7687. Samaritans information night, 7:30 p.m., 169 East St., Methuen; 688-0030.

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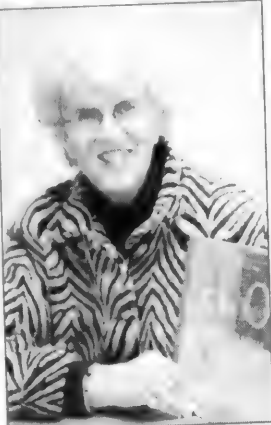
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# SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

## Fire Chief Murnane to meet with seniors

Chief Charles Murnane, of the Andover Fire Department, will be the speaker at AARP's regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at the Senior Center, Whittier Court.

Following the 1:30 p.m. business meeting, Murnane, who became chief five months ago after serving as deputy, will talk about the department does for seniors, in particular, and the town in general. He expects to be accompanied by a paramedic, who will talk about the important 911 services to the town coming from the department.

The local Andover-North Andover chapter of national AARP meets September through June giving an opportunity to discuss local problems and opportunities for seniors. Each month, after the business meeting,

there is always a refreshment period, permitting all opportunity to meet old and new friends, to be followed each month by a featured speaker of interest to the group.

President Eleanor Fritsch, of North Reading, and other officers will be on hand to welcome new members and guests.

## Quota plans gala Valentine's Day dinner dance

Quota International of Andover will host a gala Valentine's Day dinner dance Wednesday, Feb. 14 from 6 p.m. until midnight at the Holiday Inn, Tewksbury.

There will be buffet dinner, dancing and dance lessons by Steve White and a silent auction. The cost is \$50 per person and includes a raffle ticket for a trio of door prizes: a beauty basket, a romantic dinner for two, and

his and her massages.

Proceeds benefit victims of domestic violence in the greater Boston area as well as the hearing-impaired. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Linda Hentschel at 664-0064.

## Havurat Shalom family service is next Friday

Havurat Shalom, a reconstructionist Jewish congregation, will hold a family service next Friday, Feb. 9, at 6:30 p.m. at Christ Church, 25 Central St.

Rabbi Karen Landy will lead the service she has prepared, which will be especially appropriate for children, she said. Following the service there will be a discussion. A light supper of pizza and beverages will be provided; a donation of \$5 per family is requested.

Havurat Shalom can be reached at 475-2857.

## Book on Hope

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depressing and hopeless. She spends her free hours in the Beth Israel oncology unit, volunteering to sit with cancer patients receiving treatments, and talking with people who just need an ear to listen. *Book on Hope* - in which Colmore includes her own story - is one more way to reach people in need.

"It really energizes me," she says. "It makes me feel good to have some help and hope to offer. It seems to heal me."

As with all the stories in *Book on Hope*, Colmore writes her own story with few words and a matter-of-fact tone. The passages are brief and hard-hitting, reflecting the way cancer today is a "fact of life" for many families and individuals, says Colmore.

Adelsberger photographs the subjects during Colmore's interviews, getting to know the people and their stories in order to portray their true character through her pictures. "I want it to be about them, and I try to incorpo-

rate that into the photograph," she says.

Adelsberger's mother was diagnosed with ovarian cancer during the making of *Book on Hope*, and she believes that the experience only made her project with Colmore more meaningful, for both herself and those who read it.

"I don't know what (cancer) is like, and I never will unless it actually happens to me," she says. "(But) I know that the information that Perry and I gather helps all kinds of people. I think I would be in a worse place if I hadn't gone through (this) and met all the people that Perry and I met."

Though she has remained disease-free for several years, Colmore says she still fears that the "cancer gods" will strike her again. But rather than dwell on that fear, she strives to make the most of the energy and life with which she believes she has been blessed.

"Hope is not necessarily that we'll live through this, but more about the quality of life we have while we have life. It's about the gift of cancer - about not wasting your life on things that don't count anymore," she says.

## AGC meeting topic is 'Special Places of Rare Beauty'

The Andover Garden Club's annual environmental luncheon meeting will include a slide show by naturalist, photographer, and author Michael Tougas. Entitled "Quiet Places Throughout Hidden Massachusetts" the presentation will focus on places of rare beauty.

The meeting, which begins at noon Tuesday, Feb. 6 at the Lanam Club, 260 North Main St., is open to preregistered members and their guests.

Call membership co-chair Louise Ponti at 475-5168, or <jtponti@aol.com>.

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## OBITUARIES

### David A. Robichaud Taught here for 30 years

David A. Robichaud, 71, of Andover, died Thursday, Jan. 25 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mr. Robichaud was a teacher in the Andover school system for 30 years before he retired in 1989.

He was born in Lynn and served in the Navy during the Korean War and was a musician in the Admirals Band.

He was a member of South Church.

Members of his family include his wife, Pauline M. (Mower) Robichaud; sons and daughters-in-law, Mark D. and Patricia Robichaud of Little Compton, R.I., and Scott A. and Dana Robichaud of Wilton, Conn.; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 29, at South Church.

Burial was in West Parish Garden Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, Massachusetts Affiliate Inc., 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701-4688.

### Joseph F. Barrett Punchard grad retired from insurance business

Joseph F. Barrett, 80, of Haverhill and formerly of Andover, died Monday, Jan. 29 at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

Born in Andover, he graduated from Punchard High School in 1937, and also attended Worcester Academy and the Tilton School. He lived in Andover and North Andover most of his life.

Mr. Barrett worked for C.J. McCarthy Insurance Co. for several years before retiring in 1985.

During World War II, Mr. Barrett served in the Marine Corps and saw action in the Pacific on Guadalcanal and Pelileu.

He was a member of American Legion Post 0008 and Tewksbury-Wilmington Lodge of Elks 2070.

Members of his family include his wife, Constance (Lynch) Barrett; a daughter, Patricia Barrett of Andover; son and daughter-in-law, John and Karen Barrett of Chelmsford; a sister, Patricia Barrett of Lawrence; a granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are by Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated today, Thursday, Feb. 1 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Augustine Church. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery.

### John R. Carver Maintained town vehicles

John R. Carver, 41, of Andover, died Thursday, Jan. 25 at home.

Mr. Carver worked in vehicle maintenance for the town of Andover for 14 years.

He was born in Lawrence. He was a member of the Chester Rod & Gun Club.

Members of his family include his daughter, Hannah Carver of North

Andover; his mother, Ina R. (Thomson) Carver; two brothers, William Carver of Andover and Wayne Carver of Derry, N.H.; and three sisters, Bonnie Michitson of Haverhill, Wendy Garon of Andover, and Rubina Corazzini of Holden.

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Memorial contributions may be made to Trauma Intervention Program at Merrimack Valley, 167 East St., Methuen, MA 01844.

### Patricia R. Morgan Was local real estate agent

Patricia R. Morgan, 78, of Hampton, N.H. and formerly of Tuttle Avenue, died Tuesday, Jan. 23 at Webster at Rye Health and Retirement.

She was born in Cambridge and was a graduate of Emmanuel College in Boston and worked as a real estate agent in Andover where she lived from 1955 to 1970. She was a longtime summer resident of Hampton and moved there in 1970. She then spent winters in St. Croix.

She attended Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church and was a charter member of the Abenaki Country Club, Rye Beach.

She was the widow of Robert L. Morgan, who died in 1993, and she was pre-deceased by a brother, Joseph, and a sister, Mary.

Family members include three sons, Robert L. "Duffy" Morgan Jr. and his wife, Patsy Morgan of Hampton, C. Gary Morgan of New York, N.Y., Jeffrey J. and his wife, Lynn Morgan of South Norwalk, Conn.; five grandchildren; two brothers, Hugh Reynolds of New Jersey, and Robert Reynolds of Florida; and sev-

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### Deaths Elsewhere

**DROUIN** — Edna E. (Moran) Drouin, 87, of Methuen, died Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Nevins Rehabilitation Center. Members of her family include her sister, Marguerite Pelletier of Andover.

**MANSOR** — Agnes M. (Ganem) Mansor, 73, died Thursday, Jan. 25 at Holy Family Hospital.

Mrs. Mansor was an executive assistant at Raytheon Co. in Andover for more than 22 years before she retired in 1990.

**PERRY** — Joseph M. Perry, 86, of Salem, N.H. died Friday, Jan. 26 at Catholic Medical Center in Manchester.

Members of his family include his son and daughter-in-law, Robert L. and Colleen Perry of Andover.

**WHITE** — Barbara L. (Chase) White, 59, of Green Cove Springs, Fla., died Monday, Jan. 22 at Orange Park Medical Center.

Mrs. White, formerly of Haverhill, worked at Raytheon Co. until she retired 12 years ago and moved to Florida.

### Late Deaths

**RENNY** — Alexander Renny, 80, of Andover, died Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Lawrence General Hospital.

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Tonight Show host Jay Leno welcomes David A. Robichaud, his former teacher from Andover High, to the show on Thursday, Oct. 15, 1998.

## REMEMBRANCE

### Tribute to an Andover teacher

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punctuating the air with his finger to make his point. By enjoying his work he made us enjoy it too.

When I heard that he was only 71 when he died, I was somewhat shocked because in my teenaged mind I thought he was 71 when I had him. When he would come to visit me in California he would always say, "Call me Dave," and I would always say, "I can't call you Dave, you're Mr. Robichaud." Some people command respect. Mr. Robichaud always earned it.

One time he was at my house for a party. I said, "What can I get you, Mr. Robichaud?" He said "How about a scotch and soda?" I said, "I can't get you a scotch and soda, you're Mr. Robichaud. You can have either apple juice or milk."

Often times on the show, when I would go out on the street and ask people simple questions about history, or who the president was, every time they got one wrong I would wonder if Mr. Robichaud was watching. I guess that's the sign of a good teacher, that 35 years later you're still afraid he'll pop out of the woodwork to find out what you're doing.

It was always a sense of pride for me that people would stop me on the street and tell me how proud Mr. Robichaud was of me. He never became president, he never circled the earth, but he affected my life in a way that those men never could have. He was my teacher.

Former pupil,

Jay Leno

## OBITUARIES

### Patricia R. Morgan

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eral nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton, N.H.

### Alice E. Sullivan Longtime first-grade teacher

Alice E. Sullivan of Andover died Thurs-

day, Jan. 18 at Mariner Healthcare Center in Methuen.

Ms. Sullivan was a first-grade teacher at Saunders School in Lawrence for many years.

Born and educated in Lawrence, Ms. Sullivan graduated from Lowell Normal School. She attended the former St. Laurence O'Toole Church in Lawrence.

She enjoyed reading, spending summers in Maine and traveling.

Members of her family include many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and nephews, and great-grand-nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Pollard Funeral Home, Methuen.

## BIRTHS

**BODETTE** - A son, John William Bodette, born to Traci Plona and John Harland Bodette of Central Street on Oct. 11 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are Jeanne Bodette of Ferrisburg, Vt., Suzanne Plona of Canton, Conn., and Vincent and Karen Plona of Avon, Conn. John joins Meghan Jean, 3.

**CARROLL** - A son, James Francis Carroll, born to Margarita (Broggini) and John Byrne Carroll of College Circle on Dec. 18 at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell. Grandparents are James A. Broggini of Barre, Vt. and Francis and Katherine Carroll of Lowell. James joins Joseph, 4, and Anna, 2.

**DERBY** - A son, Connor Paul Derby, born to Tim and Andrea Derby of Newburyport on Jan. 19 at Beverly Hospital. Grandparents are Carole J. Derby of Andover and

the late Paul J. Derby, Joanne Abrahamson of Amesbury, and Dr. Albert Abrahamson of Hampton, N.H. Great-grandparents are J.P. and Sara O'Connor of Lowell. Connor joins Tanner.

**SCANLON** - A son, Liam Donal Scanlon, born to Kathleen E. Lowney and Peter W. Scanlon of Cambridge on Dec. 17 at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Grandparents are Kathleen Scanlon of Andover, Bill and Sotela Scanlon of Newbury, Arlene Lowney of Waltham and Bruce Lowney of Newton.

**SURETTE** - A daughter, Ashley May Surette, born to Kim (Anderson) and Michael Surette of Andover on Nov. 16 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are Charlene and Stanley Anderson and Rosemary and the late Theodore Surette, all of Andover. Ashley joins Kaitlin, 3.

## NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities planned at the Andover Senior Center:

**AARP:** The Andover/North Andover branch of AARP will hold its monthly meeting at the center Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 1:30 p.m. All members are cordially invited to attend.

**Men's Breakfast:** The senior center men's group will hold their next breakfast on Friday, Feb. 16 at 8:30 a.m. This month's program will feature a slide show and presentation entitled "Safari Through The Serengeti." Come and get an up-close look at African big game animals, exotic wildlife and birds, and all that nature has to offer in this fascinating area. Reservations are \$3.

**Orchid Show:** We are currently accepting reservations for our trip to the New Hampshire Orchid Society Show on Friday, March 9. Cost of the trip is \$15 which includes admission, tour and transportation. Following the show, we'll enjoy lunch together at the Weathervane Restaurant in Nashua, where we will order off the menu. If you'd like to travel with us to enjoy these beautiful and exotic flowers, just drop into the center to register.

**Computer Class Openings:** We have a few openings left in our "Entering the Internet" class, which will meet on three consecutive Fridays (Feb. 16 and 23, and March 2) from 2 to 4 p.m. Cost of the class is \$40, and students must have at least beginner level experience on a computer. If you'd like to learn how to "surf the Web," give us a call to check on space availability.

**Needed:** Our craft group is looking for donations of 4-inch-wide, white- and pastel-colored lace for a spring project. If you have any to spare, the group would appreciate receiving it.

**Newcomers' Coffee Hour:** We invite anyone desiring further information about programs, services, trips, activities, classes, or special events to join us on Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 9:30 a.m. Come and get acquainted with the staff and the many opportunities available at the center.

**Fix-it Shop:** Our fix-it shop will be open for business on Tuesday, Feb. 6 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Any senior with a small household item or appliance in need of repair is welcome to take advantage of this terrific service provided by our men's group.

**Spirituality Course/Life Mapping:** Deborah Malone and Rachel Zalvan invite you to join them for this four-week class, which begins Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 1 p.m. The course will consist of a series of interactive discussions and will use a variety of methods to reflect on life's past events, its turning points, and affirm the value and purpose of our journey. Pre-registration is \$10.

**Computer Interest Group:** The computer interest group will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 12 at 1:30 p.m. in the first floor activity room at Memorial Hall Library. Anyone interested in brainstorming or sharing computer successes and frustrations is welcome to attend. Questions about the group may be directed to Don Sagaser at 475-6116.



# Business

## State of state's \$2.5 million project: Stalled on Main Street?

By Rebecca Piro

The \$2.5 million Main Street renovation project, originally slated to break ground this summer, seems to be at a standstill.

Two years ago, Andover resident and engineer David Giangrande of Design Consultants proposed that the town renovate Main Street to improve traffic flow, pedestrian safety and aesthetics. Because Route 28 is a state highway, MassHighway will cover the bulk of the project cost, estimated at \$2.5 million. Residents voted to add \$350,000 of town money to provide lights, trees, benches and trash cans.

But since the vote, not much has changed on Main Street.

The plans are still awaiting MassHighway's approval — just as they were at the last public meeting in October. Members of a town committee formed to discuss the project were also wondering when Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski would call them to duty until mid-week. It's been more than six weeks since

he appointed nine citizens to the advisory "Main Street Committee," but it hasn't even met yet.

(On Tuesday, Stapczynski did set next Tuesday, Feb. 6, as the date for the Main Street Committee's first meeting.)

"I'm anxious to get this started, and feeling a little frustrated," says Abby O'Hara, committee member, before Stapczynski set the date. After waiting for some action — the idea for such a committee was suggested two years ago, and Stapczynski just appointed the committee at a Dec. 18 selectmen's meeting — she's getting a little antsy.

Stapczynski asks the committee members for "patience." He says his top priority is his budget recommendation, which is due out tomorrow, Feb. 2. The committee can't simply begin without him, because Stapczynski must guide it through its first meeting and swear in members.

The state has not notified town officials of its chosen date for a public hearing to discuss



Main and Central street intersection photo by Tim Jean

the plans with residents. MassHighway has already rejected the plans once, because Andover was requesting a bicycle-lane waiver and a lane-width waiver, says Planning Director Steve Colyer. In addition, MassHighway recently shifted around its personnel, redirecting employees to focus on a Route 3 project. Therefore, new employees assigned to Andover's proposal will need time to acquaint themselves with the project, Colyer adds.

Stapczynski says that he doesn't mind the state's slow pace because he wants to get the advisory committee assembled and running before the state takes any action.

Committee member Denis Ryan agrees that it makes sense for the committee to give its input before the state finalizes the project and begins construction. But he also says "It seems like it's taking a long time to get going."

He says that the committee is

an essential part of the project, because it provides a public voice. "It sounds like the 25-percent review from the state is still an early part of (the project)," Ryan says. "That's all good and great, but Andover has to do more detail work, and I think that's what this task force will (do)."

Colyer says he is neither surprised nor concerned that the project is going slowly.

"Do I see construction on Main Street starting this summer? No. You have a \$2.5 million project. When you are working with the state on plans as complicated as this... those things aren't rushed. The dirt doesn't start flying the next day."

"I would hope that we could break ground this summer," Stapczynski says. But he adds that the delay is no reason to worry. "Even though it may seem that we're off to a slow start, ultimately it will lead to a project with a better foundation and a better result."



Photo by Tim Jean

Cut ups — Jeanne Lambert and Sen. Susan Tucker posed for the traditional scissors shot at an open house last Wednesday to celebrate the opening of Cerida in Andover.



Photo by Tim Jean

Children from around the Merrimack Valley helped the Andover/North Andover YMCA celebrate the Y's 150th birthday last week.

## Windkist: Seaweed wraps, lasers and more

By Rebecca Piro

Andover does not yet have any tattoo parlors, but it does have a place to remove them. It also has a new location for medical and aesthetic procedures like laser hair removal, botox injections, chemical peels and seaweed wraps.

Confused? The team at Windkist, a newly-opened spa and health center, can help. Dr. Susan Elias and her sister, Felecia Elias, opened the "medical laser aesthetics center," located at the Nathan Frye House on Main Street, to both male and female clients in late November.

The North Andover sisters took the former real-estate office and renovated its three floors into rooms with massage-therapy tables and laser equipment. Walking through, a visitor will find comfortable furniture, soft music and a bright color palette throughout the facility.

"We wanted it to look more like a spa than a doctor's office," says Felecia Elias. Yet the presence of a medical doctor at Windkist guarantees customers the security of knowing their procedures will be performed professionally and safely, she adds.

"People don't want to just feel great when they leave here, they want to see results," Felecia Elias says.

Those results begin with an introductory tour for interested individuals as soon as they walk in the door, says Susan Elias. She says an aesthetician



Photo by Tim Jean

Sisters, sisters — Susan and Felecia Elias opened a "medical laser aesthetics center."

will then sit with them to discuss their needs and answer their questions. Customers also fill out a three-page questionnaire, meant to help the doctor and aestheticians provide the best care for each person.

"You don't get that when you go to a regular spa," says Felecia Elias. "Here we want to look at the whole health of the person."

For what Susan Elias calls "competitive" rates, a man or woman can sign

up for massages, facials, laser hair removal, tattoo removal and various skin treatments, none of which are covered by insurance. However, she argues that spending a little time and money on oneself is well worth it.

"No one takes time out to care for themselves," says Susan Elias. "You need to take a deep breath and say, 'I need to do something for me,' and take the time to relax."

More than one customer has done exactly that — while on the massage table, she says.

"We've had people snoring up there because they're so relaxed," she laughs.

None of the procedures are actually painful, says Susan Elias. She describes laser hair removal as "an elastic band snapping against your leg" and the chemical peel exfoliation as "a cat's tongue licking your cheek."

A botox injection, can reduce forehead "crinkles" or crow's feet lines around the eyes, says Susan Elias. A seaweed wrap can soften and treat the skin, while a chemical peel will exfoliate a person's face, leaving them "glowing and vibrant."

At Windkist, a customer will find all of these procedures and more under one roof, notes Susan Elias. "This is a place where you can come to get things done to help improve your self-esteem and help you to feel better about yourself," she says, "and while you're here, we can wax your eyebrows."



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From left: Residents Estelle Cohen and Carole Derby in the general store

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# Sports

## Roundup: Girls track team blows past all the competition

By Rick Harrison

The Andover High girls track team scored in eight events, won three and set two new meet records on the way to first place in the State Class B Relays held at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Roxbury.

The Lady Warriors destroyed the 26-school field, piling up 52 points, which was exactly twice as many as runner-up Whitman-Hanson (26).

The Andover boys also finished a somewhat surprising fourth in the team standings, with three second places leading the way to 32 points and a position behind champion Reading (56 points), Woburn (54) and Central Catholic (39).

"Our showing was pretty remarkable," said head coach Art Iworsley. "We were missing 12 kids because of SAT exams. Another girl was sick and another showed up to the meet late."

"The Relays were originally scheduled a week earlier but postponed by a snowstorm."

"We had to make changes because of the postponement," said Iworsley. "I thought we were in trouble — but the personnel shifts worked out well."

"We started out slowly in the first few events and it looked like a long day at the office. But then we picked up the first places and actually clinched the title about halfway through the meet."

The Andover girls have won this meet before but not for several years. Four years ago they were tied for sec-

ond and last winter finished third.

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With recent wins over Methuen and Lowell, the former achieved without Capt. Kevin Shepard who was nursing an ankle injury suffered in gym class, the Andover High boys basketball team qualified for the Division 1 North Tournament and moved within one game of Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 co-leaders Central Catholic and Haverhill.

Central did Andover a huge favor by handing Haverhill its first conference loss last weekend.

A rugged week begins tomorrow night when Holy Name of Worcester, one of the top Division 1 teams in the state, invades the Dunn Gym for a non-leaguer.

Next Friday the locals travel to Haverhill in an attempt to avenge a 72-59 loss to the Hillies on Jan. 5.

A second game with Central Catholic has yet to be played, while Haverhill and Central must also meet one more time.

A season-opening 59-54 loss to Division 2 Dracut still haunts Andover and could end up costing the locals the MVC title.

"At the beginning of the season without Tommy (McLaughlin) — I thought we'd struggle to make the tournament," said AHS head coach Dave Fazio. "For us to have qualified this early — and have a shot at winning the league title — is amazing to me."

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The Golden Warriors are holding out hope that all-time career scoring leader McLaughlin (1,564 points) will return for the stretch run and tournament.

"It would be great but I don't know how realistic it is," said Fazio. "Against Methuen we had 48 points sitting on the bench in street clothes (McLaughlin and Shepard). Don't think that didn't hurt."

McLaughlin is scheduled to re-visit his doctor soon for an update on the condition of his battered knee.

"Regardless of his playing status we plan to have Tommy in uniform for our Senior Night — the final regular season home game — on Feb. 6," said Fazio.

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The AHS boys and girls alpine ski teams, the former with a 9-2 record and the latter at 6-1, both clinched a berth in the State Team Championships scheduled later this month in Western Massachusetts.

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Other Andover varsity teams continue to make strong runs at league titles.

Girls basketball is rolling along at 15-0, girls track is 6-0 and prepping for a title showdown with Chelmsford next Wednesday, and girls gymnastics was 7-0 and poised to clinch the MVC crown last night against North Andover.

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The hockey team stumbled against two quality opponents, dropping close decisions to Billerica (3-1) and Boston

Latin (4-2).

The boys swim and dive team lost its MVC dual-meet title showdown with Chelmsford, but coach Mark Taffe's team posted its best regular season record in years (6-2) and settled for second place in the conference.

### INDOOR TRACK

In addition to the first- and fourth-place finishes at the State Class B Relays, the Andover High track teams registered their first dual-meet sweep of the season as both the girls and boys chalked up close wins over Haverhill.

The girls were pushed hard before squeezing out a 45-41 win, while the boys meet went down to the final race before the Golden Warriors nailed down a 46-36 victory.

The triumphs boosted the AHS girls to 5-0 overall and 2-0 in MVC Division 1, while the boys improved to 1-1 in MVC Division 1 and 1-3 overall.

### Schedule

Both Andover teams travel to Lowell High today for the only away dual meet of the season at the Riddick Field House (4 p.m.).

The Girls State Coaches Invitational is this Saturday and the Boys State Coaches Invitational is Sunday at the Reggie Lewis Center.

The girls MVC Division 1 title will once again be on the line next Wednesday at the AHS Field House when undefeated co-leaders and reigning co-champs Andover and Chelmsford collide (3:30 p.m.).

Last winter the teams battled to a 43-43 tie in their season-ending dual and were forced to share the conference title.

Next Friday was originally supposed to be an intra-town showdown between the Andover and undefeated Phillips Academy teams coached by former AHS head man Dick Collins.

That plan was scrapped when it looked like a two-day MVC Championship Meet was being put together for Feb. 9-10 at the AHS Field House.

The MVC Meet was then cancelled last week — which leaves an MVC Girls Freshman/Sophomore Meet on Friday and a Boys Frosh/Soph Meet the following Monday (Feb. 12).

### State Class B Relays

The AHS girls placed first in the long jump, 4x50 shuttle hurdles and shot put events.

The long jump team of Sheena Patel (15'9"), Stephanie Pierce and Jen Annesse totaled 45'3" for a new Class B record. It eclipsed the mark of 41'8 1/2" established by Andover in 1999.

Patel, Caitlin Murphy, Kate Gustin and Pierce won the shuttle hurdles in 31.45 seconds, another Class B record which lowered another mark set by Andover last year.

The Class B champion shot put trio of Ogechi Ibe, Robin Young and Betsy Miller combined for a distance of 91'6".

Second place went to the 4x220 sprint relay of Natasha Camilo, Janelle Larose, Stephanie Casper and Laura Dennison whose 1:53.73 trailed only Central Catholic.

Finishing third was the 4x40 relay

of Larose (62.4 split), Casper (63.4), Camilo (64.7) and Patel (62.7) with a 4:13.02 clocking.

Also third was the distance medley foursome of Emily Pfeil, Melissa Yee, Lindsay Durkin and Laura O'Connell. Pfeil ran the 3/4-mile leg in 4:12.8, Yee covered 440 yards in 69.2, Durkin ran the 880 in 2:34.5 and O'Connell contributed a 5:47.1 mile. The total time was 13:43.63.

The sprint medley crew of Lindsay Durkin, Grace Farnham, freshman Charlene Fielding and Pfeil was sixth in 4:39.42.

Another AHS point came from the high jump trio of Pfeil, Camilo and Fielding who took sixth with a total height of 13'10 1/2".

"Fielding was put in that group at the last minute," said Iworsley. "She learned how to high jump on the bus ride to the meet."

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The AHS boys earned three second places including one by the 4x220 team of Shawn Gaines, Mike Donahue, Shahriar Ghandchi and Bruce Brown who finished in 1:34.80.

The 4x50 shuttle dash crew of Gaines, Donahue, Jason Crabb and Brown was also second in 22.47.

"We should have won this race," said coach Iworsley. "A kid on the winning team from Reading took off too soon. Everyone saw it but the officials didn't disqualify him."

Another second place went to the long jump trio of Brown, Kyle Miller and Crabb who soared 55'5 3/4".

Placing fourth was the sprint medley of Mike Ring, Miller, Crabb and Taylor Hender (3:55.61), while the distance medley relay of Brendan Ahern (3/4 mile), Ghandchi (440), Ryan Durkin (880) and Tim Galebach (mile in 4:29) was also fourth in 11:13.43.

### Andover girls 45 Haverhill 41

The Hillies threw a definite scare into the Lady Warriors, who rode a sweep of the hurdles and a double win by junior Natasha Camilo to the close victory.

Haverhill made the meet tighter by winning the 4x400 relay, although AHS had the victory clinched before that final race.

"This was the first time all season Haverhill was 100 per cent healthy," said coach Iworsley.

The sweep of the hurdles was accomplished by winner Stephanie Pierce (7.4), Sheena Patel (7.5) who was slowed when she hit a hurdle and junior Caitlin Murphy.

Camilo earned her double with a personal-best 1:37.9 in the 600 run and a 4'10" leap in the high jump.

Meet MVP Lindsay Durkin won the 1000 run in a personal-best 3:01.2, and eight valuable points were added by the 1-2 finish of shot putters Ogechi Ibe (35' 1/2") and Robin Young (31'11").

Other runners-up were Janelle Larose with a personal-best 41.2 in the 300 dash, miler Emily Pfeil (5:45.2) and two-miler Laura O'Connell (12:35.6).

Additional thirds were grabbed by Carolyn Berberian (50 dash, 6.9), Stephanie Casper (300 dash, 41.4), Melissa Yee (1000 run, 3:03.2) and Pfeil



Photo by Tim Jean

Celtic stars visit ACBL teams — Andover Church Basketball League players had an opportunity to get autographs Saturday from two current Boston Celtic players, (from left) Chris Carr and Kenny Anderson, and backcourt legend Jo Jo White (seated, at right). The players' appearance was in conjunction with the upcoming "Andover Day" at the FleetCenter on Sunday, March 4, when the Celtics host the Charlotte Hornets. During halftime, selected Andover High student/athletes and athletic director Jim Hurley will represent the school as it is recognized for being the most successful on the fields of play in the state of Massachusetts this past year.



## ROUNDUP

in the high jump (4'10").

"I kept telling the kids all week how good Haverhill is," said coach Iworsley. "They had a hard time believing me — because I told them the same thing about Central the previous week and we beat them easily."

### Andover boys 46 Haverhill 36

The Golden Warriors' first victory of the season wasn't nailed down until the final event, as the locals' 4x400 relay quartet of Kyle Miller, Tim Galebach, Shawn Gaines and anchorman Shahriar Ghandchi finished in 3:50.0.

They beat the Hillies' relay by a healthy eight-second margin to clinch the triumph. Had

Haverhill won the relay the meet would have been a 41-41 tie.

Three relayers also captured individual event wins, Miller first in the 50 hurdles with a personal-best 6.8 clocking, Ghandchi in the 600 run (1:23.7) and undefeated Tim Galebach in the mile (4:52.0). Gaines also contributed a third in the 50 dash (5.9).

Other victors for AHS were two-miler Brendan Ahern (10:40.3) and high jumper Jason Crabb (5'3").

Runners-up were Bruce Brown (300 dash, 35.2), Mike Ring (1000 run, 2:35.0) and sophomore shot putter Brian Durie with a personal-best toss of 41'2 3/4".

Completing the scorers in third were freshman hurdler Vinnie Enrico (7.8), Mike Donahue (300 dash, 36.8), sophomore Taylor Hender (600 run, 1:25.6), Sam Nigh (1000 run, personal-best 2:45.6), freshman miler Ryan Durkin (personal-best 4:59.6) and shot putter John Gardner (38'9 1/2").

For their clutch effort all four members of the mile relay shared the Meet MVP award.

The Golden Warriors are still without injured athletes Phil Shaw (distance runner) and Alex Champion (middle distances).

### BOYS BASKETBALL

Trailing by 12 points with seven minutes left, the Andover High boys basketball team outscored Lowell 31-7 the rest of the way to stun the Red Raiders, 74-62, in their Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 game Tuesday night at the Riddick Field House in Lowell.

That come-from-behind win, coupled with a 56-42 conquest of Methuen, qualified AHS for the Division 1 North Tournament by boosting the overall record to 10-4.

#### Scoring leaders

After 14 games, sweet-shooting freshman guard Chris Vetrano leads the team with 253 points (18.1 average), while Paraguayan exchange student Bruno Zanotti has 184 and Kevin Shepard 181.

#### Andover 56 Methuen 42

Playing strong defense throughout, the Golden Warriors led 28-15 at the half and held the Rangers to 42 points.

It was the least amount of points Andover, which prides itself on trademark strong defense, has allowed this season.

Three opponents have failed to

score 50 points and nine have been held below 60.

"I'm very pleased with the effort," said head coach Dave Fazio. "We're playing Andover basketball again with the tough, tough defense."

"Bruno (Zanotti) was immense. This may have been his best all-around game. With 'Shep' out he stepped up and did everything for us."

Zanotti finished with 18 points, nine rebounds and six blocked shots.

Chris Vetrano also had 18 points and passed out four assists, and Pat Stockwood hit double figures with 10 points.

Rounding out the offense were Geordie Miliotis with six points, Andy Carter two and Matt Withington two.

"Chris Caverly also did a terrific defensive job on (Jeff) Nicholson," said Fazio.

Nicholson was the only Ranger in twin digits with 16 points — but Caverly forced him to work hard for every one.

AHS finished with a slim 17-15 edge in field goals, but the locals hit 21-of-31 free throws to just 11-of-17 for Methuen.

#### Andover 74 Lowell 62

The Golden Warriors fell behind 30-28 at the half, and were down 55-43 when the offense clicked into high gear and the defense put the champs on Lowell.

Bruno Zanotti led three AHS players into double figures with 21 points. Kevin Shepard returned to the lineup and scored 19 points and Chris Vetrano had 16.

Pat Stockwood tossed in nine points, Geordie Miliotis five, and adding a basket each were Chris Caverly and Anthony Silva.

Before its meltdown, Lowell was led by Marcus Wilson with 23 points and Frederick Kounkorgo with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

For Andover, which beat Lowell 65-55 the first time around, it marked just the fourth time all season and the first time in five games the locals scored 70 or more points.

The 62 points by Lowell also marked just the fourth time in 14 games the Golden Warriors allowed an opponent to hit the 60 mark.

### GIRLS GYMNASTICS

The defending state champion Andover High girls gymnastics team, which has beaten every opponent by eight or more points this season, chalked up two more convincing victories recently over Masconomet Regional of Topsfield and Dracut.

The Lady Warriors silenced Masco, 136.65 to 126.35, and came back two nights later to topple Dracut, 138.10 to 128.90.

The victories extended the locals' Merrimack Valley Conference dual-meet win streak to 16.

The Dracut triumph was the 98th for head

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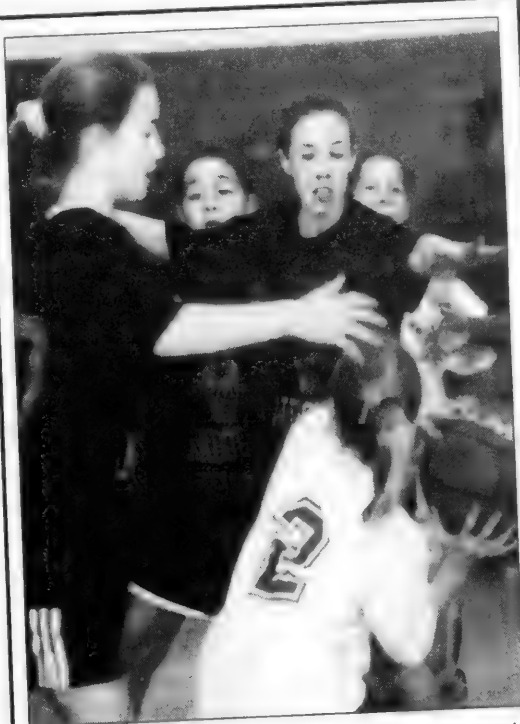


Photo by Frank J. Leone Jr.

**Swarming Saints** — St. Augustine's fifth-grade girls basketball team remains undefeated. In recent action against Mt. Carmel, Rebecca Zinsmeister (left), Chessie Leone (middle), and Emily Alaimo (right), swarm over Mt. Carmel shooter and prevent the shot. St. A's went on to win the game, 38 to 34. The team continued its winning ways Saturday, defeating Sacred Hearts in Bradford, 45-33, the most points the team has scored this season. Coaches are Tom Alaimo of Andover and Rick Blain.

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT (SEAL) Case No. 268965

To Evelyn J. Hannigan, Administratrix of the Estate of William P. Hannigan, Evelyn J. Hannigan, William P. Hannigan, Jr. and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended: Boston Federal Savings Bank claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property in 5 Oak Street, Andover, Massachusetts given by William P. Hannigan to Peoples Mortgage Corporation, dated May 21, 1999, and recorded with Essex (North) Registry of Deeds in Book 5443, Page 21, which mortgage was assigned to Boston Federal Savings Bank by assignment dated May 20, 1999, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 5443, Page 30, as confirmed by a Confirmatory Assignment recorded with said Deeds on January 17, 2001, as Instrument No. 1591 has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 12th day of March, 2001, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 23rd day of January 2001.

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.  
Recorder  
February 1, 2001

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT ESSEX DIVISION Docket No. 00P3176-EP1 NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF JAMES ROURKE otherwise known as JAMES A. ROURKE

To all persons interested in the estate of JAMES ROURKE, otherwise known as JAMES A. ROURKE late of the County of Essex Date of Death, December 6, 2000

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by VIRGINIA ROURKE of Andover in the County of Essex, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON February 26, 2001

**Wills only:** In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date January 23, 2001.

Pamela Casey O'Brien  
Register of Probate Court  
February 1, 2001

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# AHS ROUNDUP

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coach Julie Chapman and boosted AHS to 69-5 in its last 74 dual meets.

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The MVC dual-meet title was determined last night, after *Townsmen* presstime, when Andover hosted like-wise-undefeated North Andover at the Dunn Gym.

"They scored a 137 recently but that seemed a little high because their previous best score was a 133," said

AHS head coach Julie Chapman. "I'm confident we can beat them, but North Andover will be the best competition we've faced this season."

If the Lady Warriors did win last night it marks the seventh conference championship in the last 11 years.

## Schedule

The MVC dual-meet season wraps up with another home competition against Wilmington next Wednesday (7 p.m.).

Andover will host the MVC Championship Meet a week from Saturday at the Dunn Gym.

[ROUNDUP to be continued next week]

The complete AHS ROUNDUP this week can be found on the *Townsmen* Web site: [www.andovertownsmen.com](http://www.andovertownsmen.com)

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT (SEAL) Case No. 268902

To James G. Cataldo; Nancy K. Smith and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended: Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Custodian or Trustee claiming to be the holder of mortgage covering real property in Andover, numbered 12 Bowdoin Road, given by James G. Cataldo and Nancy K. Smith to Equi-Financial, L.P., dated September 25, 1998 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 5194, Page 307, and now held by the plaintiff by assignment has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 12th day of March, 2001, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 23rd day of January 2001.

Charles W. Trombly, Jr. Recorder

February 1, 2001

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT ESSEX DIVISION Docket No. 00P 1604-GM2 NOTICE OF GUARDIANSHIP - MINOR - WITHOUT SURETIES NOTICE

To all persons interested in and to the Father of BRIANNA N. BARNARD of 123 Haggetts Pond Road Andover, Ma Essex County 01810. A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that GARY LARSON AND PATRICIA LARSON, both of Andover in the County of Essex or some other suitable persons be appointed her Guardians with custody. If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before February 26, 2001. Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, this twenty-fourth day of January, 2001.

Pamela Casey O'Brien-Register of Probate February 2, 2001

## LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING



## TOWN OF ANDOVER BOARD OF HEALTH

A public hearing will be held by the Andover Board of Health in the Second Floor Conference Room, Town Offices, 36 Bartlett

Street, February 5, 2001, at 7:00 P.M. in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 81U, Subdivision Control law for the purpose of reviewing the proposed subdivision Definitive Plan entitled: "VICTORIA PLACE" revision dated 11/10/2000, located off River Street, Andover, MA as filed on December 8, 2000 by Douglas Wacome, Fieldstone Meadows Development Corp., P.O. 4011 BV, Andover, MA 01810.

BY: Douglas Dunbar, Chairman

Andover Board of Health February 1, 2001

## TOWN OF ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, February 13, 2001 at 7:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlett Street, on an application submitted by Railroad Street LLC, for a Site Plan Special Permit to allow for alteration/renovation to the existing 912 square foot abandoned one-story commercial building located at 17 Railroad Street, more specifically identified as Assessor's Map 38, Parcel 1B. Upon completion of the alteration/renovations, the facility will be converted into a restaurant, offering eat-in and take out service. The application may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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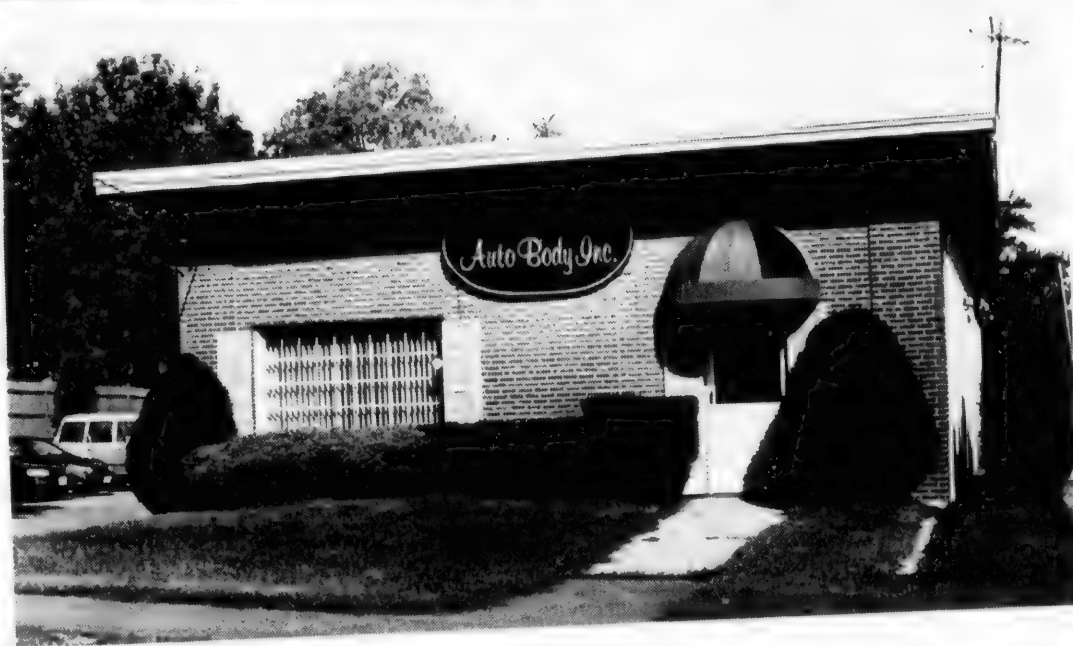
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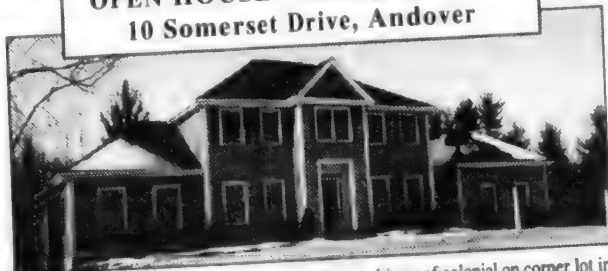
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**ANDOVER, 1st AD!**  
 Better than new construction!  
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**ANDOVER, 1st AD!**  
 Colonial w/gunite pool & spa  
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 large tiled foyer - 3 fireplaces  
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**OPEN HOUSE SUN 1-3**  
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 Walk to town, train & schools  
 "light and bright" Cape - pretty level yard  
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**ANDOVER, 1st AD!**  
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 Opportunity knocks in this antique home  
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 6 rms - 2 1/2 BR - deeded  
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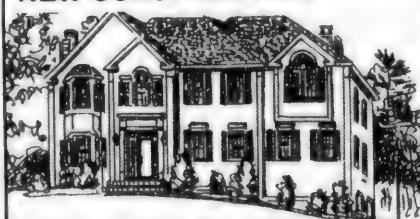

**OPEN HOUSE SUN 1-3**  
 452 Mass Ave.

**NORTH ANDOVER, 1ST AD!**  
 Adorable Colonial in move-in condition  
 Completely updated - 7 rooms  
 1 car detached - 3 BR - 1.5 BA  
 screened-in porch - spacious yard  
 Seller to consider offers in range  
 VRM 35 \$299,000 - \$338,876  
 A new listing by Paula Carroll x130

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**VIRTUAL TOUR #064**

**ANDOVER, SOUTHWICK ESTATES!**  
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**VIRTUAL TOUR #076**


**PRIME INTOWN LOCATION!**  
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 9 rm - 5 BR - 2 full/2 half baths  
 finished walkout low lev w/FP  
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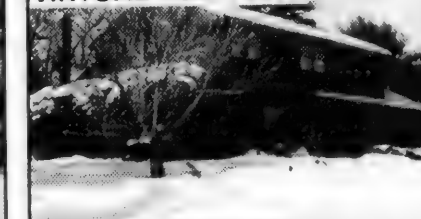
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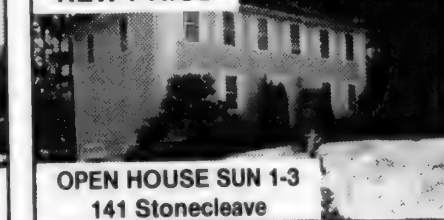
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**ANDOVER! LOCATION & STYLE!**  
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**ANDOVER, WALK TO TOWN!**  
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**ANDOVER, COUNTRY LIVING!**  
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**VIRTUAL TOUR #029**


**ANDOVER!**  
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 charming kitchen w/breakfast nook  
 8 rooms - 4 bedrooms - VRM 34  
 A listing by Janice Furey x246  
 seller to consider offers  
**Range \$279,900 - \$318,876**



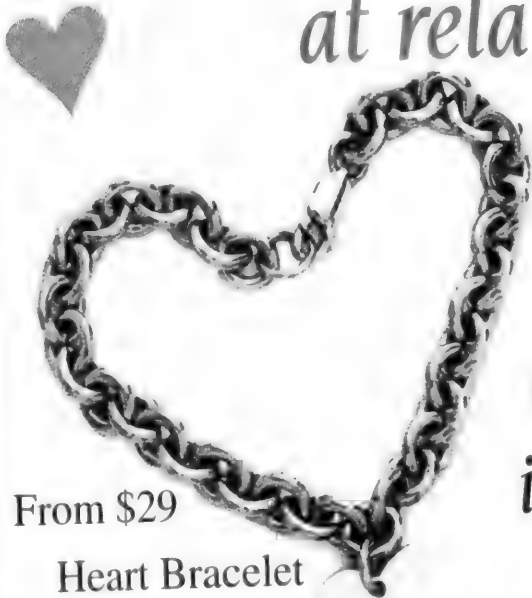
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(NAPSA) – Even the most advanced drugs work only if they are used – and used properly.

In the United States, about half of all prescriptions are either never filled or are taken improperly. The American Heart Association's Pharmaceutical Roundtable, a group of leading pharmaceutical companies, has the following tips to make sure you're taking prescriptions properly.

1. Keep a record of all prescriptions and over-the-counter medications you're taking; bring it with you when you visit the doctor and ask your doctor to review it.
2. On a daily calendar, write down when to take your medication, then make a check mark when you take it.
3. Incorporate taking medication into your daily routine.
4. Buy an inexpensive, plastic pillbox marked with the days of the week to help you remember when to take your medications.

5. Take your medicine as directed. Using medicines improperly can make you worse instead of better.

6. Refill your prescriptions, so you don't run out – even for a day.

7. If you've had any problems with your medicine, call your doctor or pharmacist right away, but don't stop taking it.

8. Don't stop taking a prescribed medicine just because your symptoms go away.

For more tips and tools to help you follow appropriate medical treatment recommendations, log on to [www.americanheart.org/CAP](http://www.americanheart.org/CAP). You can order a free copy of the American Heart Association's booklet, "Knock Out America's Hidden Health Threat," by calling (800) AHA-USA1.



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Some of the most exciting work on dry eye syndrome is happening right in this area. Presently, ORA is conducting clinical trials on new medications for the treatment of dry eye. Dry eye is a problem that affects about 5 percent of the population, however, a much larger portion has experienced symptoms related to dry eye at one time or another. Anyone who has flown in a plane or stayed in a heated house for a long period of time can empathize with dry eye sufferers. People commonly experience symptoms while in air-conditioned or heated rooms or other environments deprived of moisture, in environments with irritants in the air or while using computers or performing other such visual tasks that reduce the amount of blinking. There is no one cause of dry eye - on the contrary, many factors can influence the disease.

Dry eye is caused by the instability and insufficiency of the tear film that creates symptoms of burning, dryness, irritation and blurred vision that clears upon blinking. The tear film is a complex and dynamic system, which covers the ocular surface and provides a barrier from the environment that helps to keep the surface of the eye healthy. The tear film is made up of three layers: mucin, aqueous and lipid layers. A deficiency in any one of the components can cause a domino effect that will lead to dry eye. A combination of problems is often the case, making it difficult to determine how to approach the treatment. Dry eye sufferers can be lipid, aqueous and/or mucin deficient; people may have deficiencies in any combination of the three. ORA routinely screens patients to determine their type of dry eye. With a better understanding of the underlying causes, a more effective method of treatment can be developed.

Dry eye is caused by the disruption of the normal function of any of the layers of the tear film and the change in the interaction of all three.

The mucin layer functions to hold the tear film on the eye surface, making it easy to wet. This allows for its even distribution across the eye surface. The aqueous layer, the thickest of the three layers (90 percent of the total tear film), contains nutrients and dissolved oxygen. This layer also functions to remove debris from the eye surface and acts as a barrier to protect the eye from bacteria, pollen and other irritants. Diseases of the lacrimal gland cause a reduction in aqueous secretions. The lipid (oily) layer, much like oils in an unshaken bottle of salad dressing, floats on top, preventing the evaporation of the aqueous layer. Sjogren's Syndrome is a chronic autoimmune disorder that inhibits secretion of glands in the body. Sufferers of Sjogren's Syndrome deal with dry mouth and eyes and may have stiff hands in the morning. Sjogren's can produce dry eye because the body attacks its own lacrimal gland, reducing aqueous secretions.

ORA is currently working on the next generation of ocular medication that will help patients with inflammatory disease; treat irritation caused by fatigue, visual task and environmental considerations; and act as barrier protection. The evaluation of new compounds to determine their safety and effectiveness occurs in a special chamber developed by Abelson, Ousler and Wiley Chambers, MD, of the FDA. The chamber, which controls humidity, airflow and visual task, allows for the testing of new treatments, the collection of further data on the mechanisms of dry eye and the determination of the relationship between the components of tear film, blink rate, visual task and discomfort. Because of the advances in technology available through ORA Inc., companies from all over the world are bringing their newest therapies to North Andover to be evaluated.

We are seeking qualified applicants to participate in our clinical trials. Knowledge gained by both the investigator and the patient will help with your day-to-day management of the disease. With your help, we will be able to develop newer and better treatments by increasing our understanding of the disease and its underlying causes. If you think that you may be eligible for our clinical trials, please contact us. Both dry eye and ocular allergy sufferers are needed. If you suffer from allergies, then you may be able to participate in our allergy studies. We offer skin tests to determine the extent of your allergic rhinoconjunctivitis. Call 866-EYEDROP for more information on our clinical trials, skin tests and dry eye screenings.

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In a recent survey of 525 nutrition professionals, three out of four (76 percent) listed oatmeal as one of the top foods, providing the most benefit to heart health.

Oatmeal received the third highest mention of foods cited in the survey. Nearly nine out of 10 survey respondents were nutrition professionals who counsel consumers about

diet and cardiovascular health.

Other foods mentioned most often in the survey were: fish, dry beans, peas, lentils, soy, olive oil, flax seed, canola oil, broccoli, garlic and wine.

Oatmeal is one of the most studied foods in terms of cardiovascular health. More than 40 clinical studies have proved that eating oatmeal can help lower blood cholesterol levels and reduce the risk of heart disease; this is good news for Americans.

Currently, more than half (51.9 percent) of adults are at an intermediate or high risk for heart disease due to high

blood cholesterol levels.

"Eating a good-sized bowl of oatmeal every day provides you with the three grams of soluble fiber proven to decrease blood cholesterol levels — a claim supported by the Food and Drug Administration," says Georgia Kostas, director of nutrition at the Cooper Clinic in Dallas.

Ms. Kostas says scientists believe that the oat-soluble fiber, beta glucan, is responsible for helping to control blood cholesterol.

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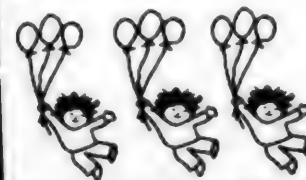
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Silverado Athletic Club in Andover, a health and fitness club exclusively for women, is pleased to announce that it is the first and only club in the area to offer a revolutionary approach to fitness: Reebok Core Training with the Reebok Core Board!

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Recently introduced by Reebok, the training is designed to help people strengthen and stabilize muscles they can't see, address torso strength and mobility to improve limb function and reduce and rehabilitate the imbalances that limit performance.

The board that is used is 6 inches high, 29 inches long and 22 inches wide, and it is elliptical in shape. It features omni-directional tilt, so that you can pivot all the way around its axis. The board

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Most conventional exercises limit motion around a single axis. The Reebok Core Board requires balance through the use of abdominal, low back and hip flexor muscles. It integrates movement, stabilization, balance and coordination. Poor body mechanics can cause structural stresses or dysfunction that may reduce the ability to balance or move properly.

Whether you are a woman dedicated to a workout routine or one who has never walked around the block, there is no time like the present to improve your health. By providing a safe, convenient, all-female environment where women can work with a personal trainer, take aerobic classes and/or workout on equipment designed for women, Silverado Athletic Club offers its members the opportunity to improve their health, while trying new activities in a non-intimidating setting.

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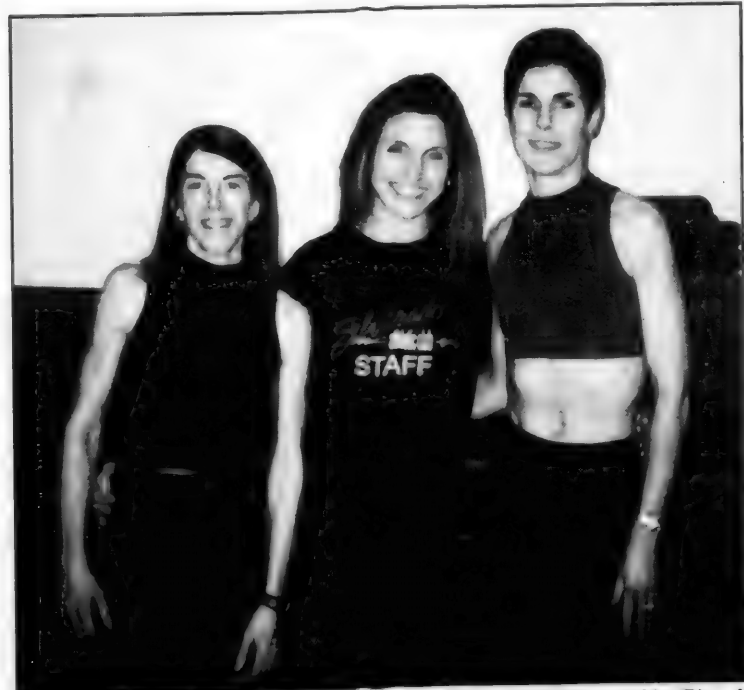
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The real culprit could turn out to be a toxic mold known to scientists as the *Stachybotrys chartarum* fungus - you know, that greenish-black patch on your windowsill or on the floor in the corner of your basement. It's one of more than 300 types of mold that researchers believe can cause symptoms, as well as weaken your immune system.

Molds such as the *Stachybotrys* produce toxic spores called mycotoxins that take to the air and can easily find their way into the passageways of the

respiratory system. Not everyone is affected the same way, so it is frequently difficult to diagnose whether mold spores are the troublemakers. But, people who experience repeated colds may want to look around their home or office in places where there may be insufficient ventilation, condensation or where there has been drenching water activity for some length of time.

Mold spores are one of the allergens that can be particularly troublesome for people with asthma or perennial rhinitis, a year-round allergy condition caused by allergens found in the home or workplace. The symptoms, much like a cold, are nasal congestion and runny nose, but they are distinguished

by itching of the nose and frequent sneezing. Unlike a cold, allergic rhinitis is not contagious and it can last for days, weeks or all year, depending on exposure.

Treating hard surfaces with a weak bleach solution will kill the mold at the site, but other sources must be eliminated as well to ensure success; that means removing moldy carpets, insulation or wallboard, repairing leaky roofs and perhaps calling a building inspector to investigate musty, moldy odors for which a source cannot be readily spotted. Additionally, an air cleaner may offer year-round help in removing spores, as well as other allergens, from indoor air.

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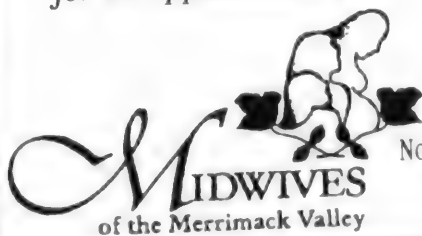


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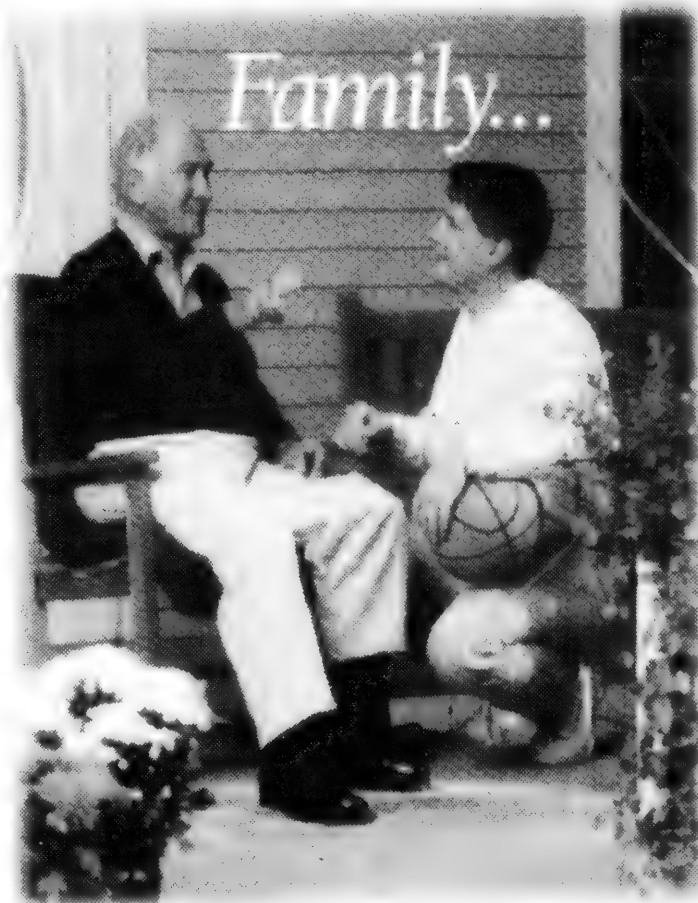
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(NAPS) – Onions are more than delectable. The nutritious root vegetable has long been considered a health food. Valued throughout history for their healing powers, onions have been shown to add important phytochemicals and antioxidants considered essential to a healthy diet.

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The following recipe, from the National Onion Association, is a lower-fat, baked version of classic onion rings.

### Best Ever Onion Rings

- 3 large onions (about 9 to 11 ounces each), peeled and trimmed
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup non-alcoholic or regular beer
- Vegetable oil

Cut onions crosswise into half-inch slices; pull apart into rings. (Refrigerate broken or end pieces for other uses.) Mix flour, paprika, salt and pepper in large bowl. Add beer, stirring with wire whip until foam is gone.

Toss onion rings with batter and transfer to plate, letting excess drip off as you transfer. Heat 1 tablespoon oil in large nonstick skillet (11- or 12-inch) over medium-high heat. Place about half the onion rings in single layer in heated skillet and cook until browned, turning once, about one and a half minutes on each side; repeat with remaining onions.

Transfer to ungreased shallow baking pans or cookie sheets, arranging in single layer. Bake at 425 degrees for six minutes or until crisp. Makes six servings.



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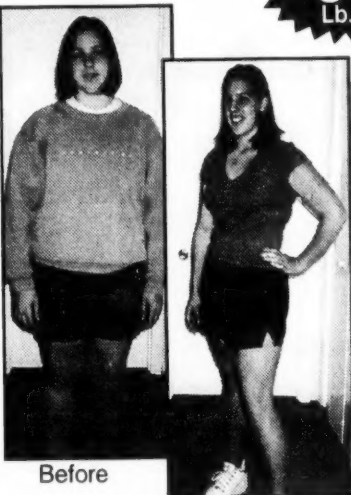
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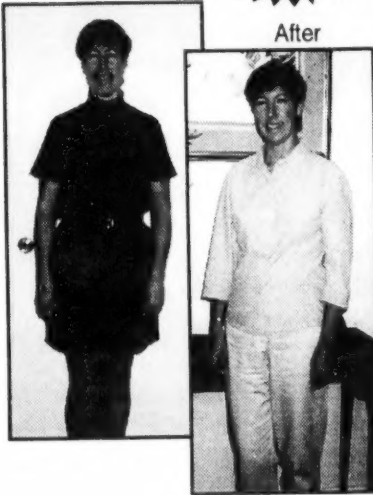
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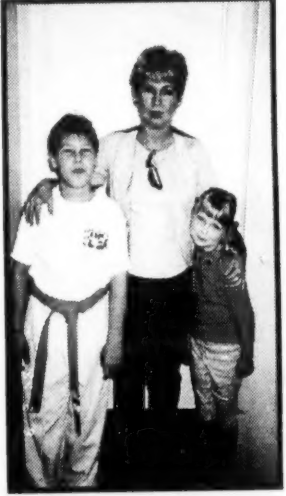
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## For men and women, staying healthy means being informed

By Eric M. Danis

A recent Internet search showed that the male and female bodies are different in many ways beyond relative size and reproductive structure. Research in the field of gender-based biology has revealed gender differences at the system, organ, tissue, cellular and sub-cellular levels, as well as differences in response to pharmaceuticals, according to the Society for Women's Health Research. Therefore, males and females require different tests and screenings to ensure and maintain good health.

One disease that is obviously unique to males is testicular cancer. According to "The Testicular Cancer Primer," found at [www.acor.org/diseases](http://www.acor.org/diseases), testicular cancer is the most common cancer in young men between the ages of 15 and 35 years old, although it can strike any male at any time.

The primer recommends that once males turn 15 years of age, they should start performing monthly self-exams of the testicles. The National Cancer Institute recommends the following steps.

- Check for swelling on the scrotal skin while standing in front of a mirror.

- Place the index and middle fingers under the testicles with the thumbs placed on top; using both hands, roll the testicles gently between the thumbs and fingers.

- Locate the soft, tube-like structure behind the testicles, called the epididymis; familiarity with this structure, which collects and carries sperm, will prevent one from mistaking it as a suspicious lump.

- If a lump is found, one should see a doctor, preferably a urologist, immediately. There is a possibility that the lump is merely an infection, but if it is testicular cancer, it will spread if not stopped by treatment.

The primer notes that there are other signs of

testicular cancer, such as any enlargement of a testicle, a significant loss of size in either testicle, a feeling of heaviness in the scrotum, a dull ache in the lower abdomen or in the groin, a sudden collection of fluid in the scrotum, pain or discomfort in a testicle or in the scrotum, blood in the urine and enlargement or tenderness of the breasts.

Another major health problem facing men is prostate cancer, according to [www.cancer-prostate.com](http://www.cancer-prostate.com). The site states that approximately 200,000 American men were diagnosed with prostate cancer in 1998. The site also notes that significant confusion surrounds the treatment of prostate cancer due to an absence of data from large, randomized trials with long-term follow-ups.

Prostate Pointers ([www.prostatepointers.org](http://www.prostatepointers.org)) lists the guidelines approved by the American Cancer Society's board of directors on June 10, 1997. According to the guidelines, the society recommends that both a prostate-specific antigen test and a digital rectal exam should be offered annually, starting at age 50, to men who have a minimum of a 10-year life expectancy and to younger men who are at high risk. Information should be provided to men regarding potential benefits and risks of screening.

"Malehealth," a healthy living Web site based in the United Kingdom ([www.malehealth.co.uk](http://www.malehealth.co.uk)), highlights another problem facing males - coronary heart disease. CHD is a disease of the arteries that are responsible for supplying blood to the heart. The two most common aspects of CHD are angina and heart attacks, according to Malehealth.

Important risk factors for CHD include smoking, high blood pressure, high cholesterol levels, diabetes, obesity, lack of exercise and a family history of early development of CHD.

Malehealth's Web site contains several suggestions for minimizing the risk of CHD. The site advises men not to start smoking and tells them to quit immediately if they currently smoke. Men are also told to have their blood pressure checked regularly. One's general doctor can be asked to perform a cholesterol check if there is a family history of high cholesterol levels, there are other risk factors present for CHD or the patient has dia-



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betes. If a male's cholesterol level is higher than it should be, the doctor might prescribe tablets and will tell the patient to avoid fats when eating, says Malehealth.

Unfortunately, heart disease is also a concern for women. According to the American Heart Association ([www.women.american-heart.org](http://www.women.american-heart.org)):

- Cardiovascular disease ranks first among all disease categories in hospital discharges for women;
- More than 43 percent of all female deaths in America and most developed countries occur from cardiovascular disease, particularly coronary heart disease and stroke; and

- In 1997, cardiovascular disease claimed the lives of 502,938 females.

More alarmingly, the AHA says a survey conducted in 1997 revealed that women have a lack of understanding of the dangers of both stroke and heart disease. According to the survey, only 8 percent of women in America believe that heart disease and stroke are the greatest health threat to women. The survey also determined that many women lack awareness of heart attack warning signals in women, such as chest pain, shortness of breath, pain in the arms, tightness in the chest, nausea, dizziness and fatigue.

Another disease that has a

great impact upon women is breast cancer. The Web site for National Breast Cancer Awareness Month ([www.nbcam.org](http://www.nbcam.org)) contains some harrowing statistics regarding the disease. According to the site, breast cancer is the most common cancer in women, except for skin cancer, and it is the second leading type of cancer death behind only lung cancer. It is estimated that 40,800 women will die from breast cancer this year, says the site.

The breast cancer awareness site lists several risk factors. One important factor is age: The risk of breast cancer increases as a woman grows older. The majority of breast cancer cases occur in women age 50 and older, while breast cancer is uncommon in women under 35. Family history also plays a role in the disease, since the risk of breast cancer increases for women whose mother, sister or daughter have had it. Not having children is also considered a risk factor, according to the Web site, as women who experience continuous menstrual cycles until menopause are at a higher than average risk.

Early detection of breast cancer is extremely important, according to the site, because when it is treated early, loss of life and suffering can be reduced quite significantly. Women should ask their doctors about mammogra-

phy screening. "Mammography (an X-ray picture of the breast) is the single most effective method to detect breast changes that may be cancer, long before physical symptoms can be seen or felt," according to the Web site.

Although breast self-examination may help a woman discover breast cancer, it should not be a substitute for mammography or clinical breast examination.

While cancers and cardiovascular diseases clearly pose serious

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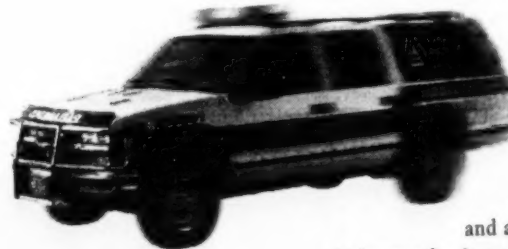
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(NU) - More than six out of 10 working women say they skip lunch at least once a week - and it is not necessarily because they're dieting. They simply don't have the time.

Sixty-two percent of women surveyed said they are "too busy for lunch," and only 5 percent said they forgo lunch because they are trying to lose weight, according to the Blimpie Subs & Salads lunch survey conducted across the United States.

Twenty-five percent said they aren't hungry for lunch, 3 percent said lunch isn't convenient, 2 percent said they skip lunch to get out of the office on time and 1 percent said they can't afford lunch.

How often are women not eating lunch? Although 38 percent said they never skip lunch, 31 percent said they skip it about three times a week, 8 percent said they skip it four times a week and 6 percent said they always skip lunch. This is despite the fact that 49 percent of these working women have their children eat a school cafeteria lunch, while 46 percent make their children a brown-bag lunch for school.

"Working mothers would not let their children go without lunch, so why are they shorting themselves?" says Tony Conza, founder and chief executive officer of Blimpie International Inc. "Taking a break for lunch and eating a healthy meal not only fuels your body but also gives the mind a much-needed midday work break."

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## Working Women Survey

Percentage of women who skip lunch...



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